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Mark your calendars for Nov. 2-5 in Scottsdale

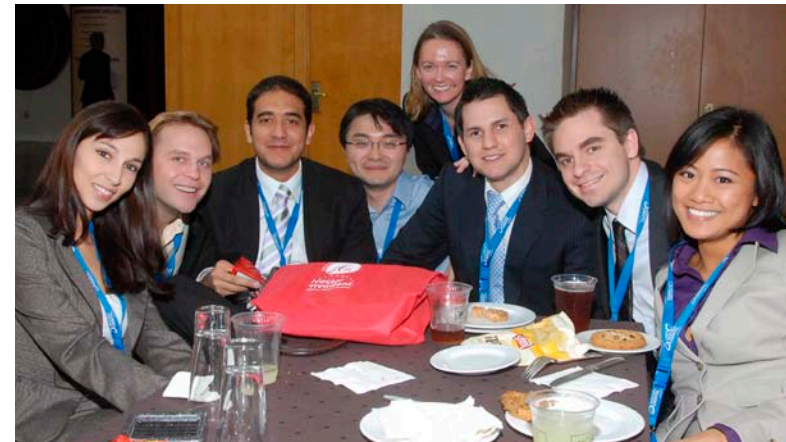


Dr. Ken Malament

With spring in the air, you can't afford to miss planning now for a valuable educational opportunity this fall – the ACP's 41st Annual Session in Scottsdale, Arizona on Nov. 2-5 at the Westin Kierland Resort & Spa. Packed with three full days of revealing and engaging programming, the meeting will explore the leading science and techniques that allow prosthodontics to offer the finest long term care and artistic expression of facial esthetics and function. This year's Annual Session is aimed at helping prosthodontists, dental technicians, residents and other dental professionals realize their own individual excellence in prosthodontics as well as how we can collectively advance the specialty.

Plan to arrive before the Scientific Session to attend several new and returning value-added Early Bird Sessions. New programming on Wednesday, Nov. 2, includes a Patient Management Workshop discussing how to best manage patients to increase your acceptance rate and decrease your stress. Returning programs include the well-received Maxillofacial Prosthetics Course and the International Practitioners Symposium presented in Spanish. A highlight of the conference every year is the Welcome Reception, which allows you to greet colleagues and friends and meet new acquaintances, while taking in the spectacular grounds at the Westin Resort.

The Scientific Session kicks-off on Thursday, Nov. 3, focusing on this year's theme – *A Journey to Realize Excellence*. Topics will include growth factors for esthetic implant site preparation, the future of implant dentistry and planning a customized smile design. New this year on Thursday and Friday will be an ACP Member Speaker Forum. Recognizing the talent within our membership, two sessions have been opened to allow members to speak for 12 minutes followed by a short question and answer period. All members are invited to submit a title and abstract for their presentations. (See sidebar on page 7 for more details.) The Exhibit Hall opens on Thursday featuring a cadre of dental companies showcasing the latest advancements to help improve your practice.



Attendees from the 40th Annual Session in Orlando, Florida take a break from Thursday's Scientific Session and enjoy the afternoon refreshments in the Exhibit Hall.

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On Friday, Nov. 4, the Scientific Session continues with topics such as prosthetic rehabilitation, the use of ceramics in contemporary prosthodontics and how new endodontic technology can contribute to prosthodontic treatment plans. Also back by popular demand is the dental technology workshop: Digital Realities 2011: Are we there yet? You won't want to miss this forum that brings prosthodontists together with dental technicians to discuss the latest advancements in the specialty. Finally, end the day with a celebration of the year's accomplishments at the Annual Awards & President's Dinner. Help honor your colleagues who have made a significant

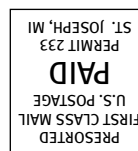
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### Oral Cancer Facts

The Florida Section screened approximately **300** individuals at the University of Central Florida campus in conjunction with the ACP 40th Annual Session.

Cancers of the head and neck are mostly caused by tobacco and alcohol, but recent studies show that about **25%** of mouth and **35%** of throat cancers may be linked to HPV.

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2. Adequate primary stability required.

3. Removing the abutment after initial placement may disrupt the connective tissue attachment.

4. Human Histologic Evidence of a Connective Tissue Attachment to a Dental Implant. M Nevins, ML Nevins, M Camelo, JL Boyesen, DM Kim. International Journal of Periodontics & Restorative Dentistry. Vol. 28, No. 2, 2008

## What members want



JONATHAN P. WIENS,  
D.D.S., M.S.D., F.A.C.P.

In the movie "What Women Want" Mel Gibson plays a chauvinistic executive who after a freak accident gains the ability to hear what women are really thinking. In similar fashion, moving the College in any new direction requires the insight of members' wants and needs.

During my first 100 days in office, I have listened carefully and intently to learn what members are thinking. A variety of ideas and comments continuously flow across my desk and when they create a repetitive chord it is instinctively recognized as what our members want.

Two reverberating themes have emerged: first is the protection of our specialty and the second is specialty recognition that increases patient awareness. You may ask, what is our College doing about it?

Aside from developing the Re-recognition of the Specialty Report, which details our organization's vitality to the American Dental Association, the College plays a pivotal role in representing our specialty on a variety of fronts. From Dr. David Guichet guiding the cause for the surgical aspects of prosthodontic care with the ACP Task Force on the Surgical Prosthodontist to Dr. John Agar leading the ACP CODA Task Force to contemporize our prosthodontic standards, your College is advocating for your best interests and advancing

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our specialty. ACP officers further protect your interests at collaborative Dental Specialty Group meetings and as they work with the ADA CODA Commissioner for Prosthodontics Dr. Kent Knoernschild to state our case during CODA meetings. The College also is called upon to offer public comment on issues of importance to prosthodontics or to support ADA initiatives or those of other dental organizations at the national level.

Last year we completed an introspective look at our organization by means of a communications audit. We learned much about our ability to serve and fulfill the needs of our membership. As a direct result, several patient-oriented projects emerged, like the "Kim's Story" video or the evidence-based Denture Care Guidelines, developed with the support of GSK Consumer Healthcare. Other methods, such as innovative practice management strategies are already in place and provide our members a competitive edge. All of these approaches increase patient awareness, yet your personal involvement during National Prosthodontics Awareness Week™ on April 3-9 may have an even greater impact.

In the final analysis, we certainly may "brand" prosthodontics, however we may not predictably assure patient flow, as that will occur over time. In closing, you have our ear and this is your opportunity to let us know what you are thinking ... we are listening.

## ACP Board members appointed

The ACP Board of Directors has recently appointed three new members to fill the positions of Secretary, Regional Membership Director and Alternate Regional Membership Director of Region IV (Rockies/Plains).



Dr. Susan E. Brackett

Susan E. Brackett, D.D.S., M.S., F.A.C.P. was appointed as the new Secretary of the College. Dr. Brackett will complete the remaining two years of the term previously held by Steven E. Eckert, D.D.S., M.S.D., F.A.C.P. Dr. Brackett is the Public Relations and Communications Division Director on the Board and is a prosthodontist in private practice in Oklahoma City, OK.

A graduate of the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry in 1978, Dr. Brackett completed her specialty training in prosthodontics at the University of Iowa, receiving a Certificate in Fixed Prosthodontics and a Master of Science degree. Dr. Brackett is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and a Fellow of the ACP. She is also a Board member of the ACP Education Foundation.



Dr. Victoria A. Vickers

Victoria A. Vickers, D.D.S., was appointed as Regional Membership Director of Region IV (Rockies/Plains). Dr. Vickers will complete the remaining two years of the term previously held by Alfonso Monarres, D.D.S., M.S., F.A.C.P.

Dr. Vickers is a private practitioner in San Antonio, Texas and also a part-time Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. She received her D.D.S. from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Dental School. Once completing a general practice residency, she obtained a certificate in prosthodontics from the Veteran's Affairs Hospital Houston, Texas. She then completed a fellowship

in Maxillofacial Prosthodontics at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. Dr. Vickers has lectured on various implant treatment modalities and serves on the Board of Directors for San Antonio District Dental Society (SADDS) and the Alumni Association of the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Dental School.



Dr. Douglas G. Benting

Douglas G. Benting, D.D.S., M.S. was appointed as Alternate Regional Membership Director of Region IV (Rockies/Plains). He will fill the open position previously held by Robert Ahlstrom, D.D.S., M.S.

Dr. Benting graduated from the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry in 1999, completing the prosthodontic specialty program with a Master's of Science in 2002. Currently, Dr. Benting maintains a solo prosthodontic referral practice in Phoenix, Arizona, participates in the prosthodontic clinic as an Adjunct Faculty member at A.T. Still University in Mesa and is a visiting faculty member at Spear Education in Scottsdale. He is a past-president of the Arizona section of the ACP and has participated in ACP committees and promotional events geared toward dental students. Dr. Benting also is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics.

Save the date!  
Prosthodontics Update 2011  
Sept. 23-24, Rosemont, IL

Registration opening soon. Continue to check the Meetings & Events section of [www.prosthodontics.org](http://www.prosthodontics.org) for more information.



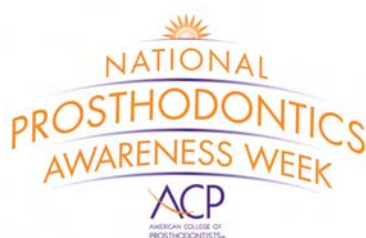
ACP member Dr. Robert E. Selz, an adjunct faculty member at Nova Southeastern University College of Dental Medicine in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, lends a hand at the oral cancer screening event this past November on the University of Central Florida campus.

## National Prosthodontics Awareness Week celebrated

ACP members across the country celebrated National Prosthodontics Awareness Week™ (NPAW™) from April 3-9. The week, filled with events and outreach, informed the public about proper oral health including oral cancer detection. ACP members, from students and program directors at dental schools to those in private practice, provided consumers in their communities information on how to best care for missing teeth, how to improve their smiles and educated the public about the benefits of seeing a prosthodontist.

“ACP members who engaged in NPAW™ activities no matter how small became part of the larger goal to increase awareness about our specialty,” said 2011 NPAW™ Chair Lawrence E. Brecht, D.D.S. “Ultimately we want to improve the quality of life for all patients and any program that raises public awareness about a health profession is a noble undertaking.”

The College needs your help to compile a complete report of all Section and member NPAW™ 2011 activities. Please write a description of your NPAW™ events and achievements and e-mail the details to ACP Sections & Governance Manager Ms. Nathalie Williams at [nwilliams@prosthodontics.org](mailto:nwilliams@prosthodontics.org), along with high-resolution photos with captions identifying participants. Stay tuned to see your NPAW™ photos and event coverage in the ACP Regional e-Newsletters and in the summer *Messenger*.



## Specialty represented at CODA meeting

The Commission on Dental Accreditation held its winter board meeting on Feb. 4. Several significant issues that impact dental education programs and dentistry as a whole were considered. A few highlights include:



Dr. Kent Knoernschild

- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery submitted comprehensive standards revisions in response to the Commission’s August 2010 directive. This revision is now submitted for comment to all communities of interest. Regarding dental implants, their standard proposal (4-8.1) states, “Dental implant training must include didactic and clinical experience in comprehensive preoperative, intraoperative and post-operative management of the implant patient. The preoperative aspects of the comprehensive management of the implant patient must include interdisciplinary interaction, diagnosis, treatment planning, biomechanics, biomaterials, biological basis of the implant patient....”

- Specialty organizations were directed to introduce a standard on Ethics and Professionalism concurrent with their comprehensive revision. This was in accordance recommendations submitted by review committees.
- Required documentation to propose a new area of accreditation by the Commission was reviewed. After considerable deliberation, criteria were referred back to the Documentation and Policy Committee for further consideration. Dr. Knoernschild has been appointed the new chair of this Commission standing committee.

The next Commission meeting will convene on Aug. 4-5.

## Reflections from a Past President



Each year has its own set of challenges. With those challenges come many great accomplishments and, occasionally, a few disappointments. My presidential year was the 25th anniversary of the College and with it came all of the excitement in celebrating our landmark anniversary. The Annual Session was in Washington, DC and it set the stage for recognition of our past and present accomplishments as well as all of our past leaders. It was also the year we established the House of Delegates as the ruling body for the College. The ACP sections had grown in numbers with nearly all 50 states having a section and an active membership base. This growth positioned the sections to assume a greater involvement in the College and gave the membership a clear voice within the College.

### CARL W. SCHULTER ACP PAST PRESIDENT (1994-95)

One of my main goals as President was to unify the voice of prosthodontics by helping to establish the ACP Prosthodontic Forum. Today the College is the voice for our specialty. With this leadership role, the College has a responsibility to reach out to other prosthodontic organizations. At the same time, the Forum allows other organizations to voice their concerns for prosthodontics. A unified voice expands our interaction with other specialty organizations and strengthens our voice within the American Dental Association.

My dream for our specialty is to continue our growth and expand our role in dentistry. The ACP Education Foundation is prospering and growing because of the support of the membership and corporate community. With these expanding efforts by the Foundation, it is my hope that our message about the important role a prosthodontist plays in dental care is heard by the public and the dental community. We have a great story to tell.

My advice for future Presidents and College leaders is to listen to the voice of the membership in setting your goals. Rely on the past-presidents, board members and committee chairpersons for advice and guidance from their past experiences. Lastly, consider how your goals affect the membership and the established principles of the College.

## New ACPEF Chair appointed



Dr. David Felton

The ACP Education Foundation is pleased to announce that David A. Felton, D.D.S., M.S.D. has been named as the new Chair of the ACPEF. Dr. Felton currently serves on the ACP Board of Directors as the Journal of Prosthodontics Editor-in-Chief and is also a Past President of the ACP. He is a professor in the Department of Prosthodontics at the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry. Dr. Felton replaces Stephen Campbell, D.D.S., M.M.Sc. whose term as Chair expired. Dr. Campbell will continue to serve the Foundation as a member of the ACPEF Board. In addition, Charles J. Goodacre, D.D.S., M.S.D. was also appointed to serve as a member of the Foundation Board.

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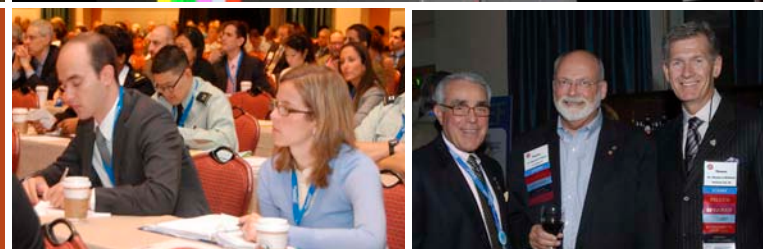
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# A Journey to Realize Excellence



## ACP's 41st Annual Session

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Bringing together expertise from the clinical and technical worlds of prosthodontics in a collegial and educational setting, the ACP's 41st Annual Session is aimed at helping prosthodontists, dental technicians, residents and other dental professionals realize their own individual excellence in prosthodontics as well as how we can collectively achieve excellence for the specialty.

### VALUE-ADDED EARLY BIRD SESSIONS: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

#### **Patient Management – The Psychological Dilemma: Increase Your Acceptance Rate and Decrease Your Stress**

Moderator: *Gary R. Goldstein, D.D.S.*

#### **Maxillofacial Prosthetics Embracing the Future Today: The Use of Digital Imaging Impressions and Rapid Prototyping in Support of the Maxillofacial Patient**

Moderator: *Steven P. Haug, D.D.S.*

#### **International Practitioners Symposium** (Presented in Spanish) Featuring:

Moderator: *Guillermo Bernal, D.D.S., M.S.D., F.A.C.P.*

- New Trends and Alternatives to Implant Surgery
- Cad-Cam Technology vs. Conventional Laboratory Techniques

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3

#### **The Science of Prosthodontics: Where We Are Today... Myth or Truth?**

Moderator: *Stephen D. Campbell, D.D.S., M.M.Sc.*

#### **Growth Factors for Esthetic Implant Site Preparation**

Moderator: *Mark Nevins, D.M.D., M.M.Sc.*

#### **Planning a Customized Smile Design**

Moderator: *Christian Coachman, D.M.D., C.D.T.*

#### **The Future of Implant Dentistry**

Moderator: *Steven Eckert, D.D.S., M.S.D.*

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

#### **Prosthetic Rehabilitation: Esthetic and Functional Aspects**

Moderator: *Mauro Fradeani, D.D.S.*

#### **Surgical Perspectives for Achieving Exceptional Implant Esthetics: A Blueprint for Change**

Moderator: *Sonia Leziy, D.D.S., F.S.C.D.S. (BC), F.S.C.D.S. (C)*

#### **Digital Realities 2011: Are We There Yet?**

Moderator: *Dan Nathanson, D.M.D., M.S.D.*

- Digital impressions for the laboratory
- Laboratory Scanning and Digital Construction
- Multi-unit framework design and manufacture; abutment or fixture level design
- Screw retained implant prosthesis framework design

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

#### **Technology Forum**

- Introducing new technologies for the laboratory and the clinic with special emphasis on hands-on experiences for our dental team.

#### **Techno-Clinical Symposium: Ceramics and Prosthetic Esthetic Excellence**

- Renowned ceramists and clinicians revealing the current concepts that underscore optimal esthetics in the world of prosthodontics.



Mark your calendar now and plan to attend the ACP's 41st Annual Session this fall. Visit [www.prosthodontics.org/AS](http://www.prosthodontics.org/AS) for Annual Session news, hotel information and online registration available this spring.





# Schedule-at-a-Glance

## Tuesday, November 1

AAMP CE Workshop	2:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Registration Open	4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

## Wednesday, November 2

Registration Open	8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
ACP Joint Educator Conference	7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Board Preparation Course	7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Advances in Maxillofacial Prosthetics Early Bird Session	1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Patient Management Workshop	1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
International Practitioners Symposium (presented in Spanish)	1:00 – 4:30 p.m.
ACP Region 7 Meeting (International)	4:30 – 5:30 p.m.
Welcome Reception	5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

## Thursday, November 3

Registration Open	6:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors	7:00 – 7:45 a.m.
Exhibit Hall Open	7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
General Session	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Refreshment Break with Exhibitors	12:00 – 1:30 p.m.
Table Clinic Poster Session	12:30 – 2:00 p.m.
ACPEF Donor Recognition Reception	5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

## Friday, November 4

Registration Open	7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors	7:00 – 7:45 a.m.
Exhibit Hall Open	7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
General Session	8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Refreshment Break with Exhibitors	12:15 – 1:45 p.m.
Digital Realities for Dental Laboratories Workshop	1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Student/New Prosthodontist Reception	5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
ACP Annual Awards & President's Dinner	6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

## Saturday, November 5

Registration Open	7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Sinus Lift/Augmentation and Bone Grafting Workshops	7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
ACP Regional Breakfast Meetings (Regions 1-6)	7:30 – 9:00 a.m.
Technology Forum	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Clear Aligner Workshop	11:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Public Relations and Media Training for Members	1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Digital Technology Symposium	1:30 – 5:00 p.m.

## Annual Session, continued from Page 1

contribution to the specialty, congratulate new Fellows of the College and connect with your leadership from the Board of Directors during this pinnacle celebration.

The conference does not end on Friday! Saturday, Nov. 5, offers a full day of programs to round-out the three-day meeting. Start your day by reconnecting with your local colleagues during Regional Breakfasts. Plan to attend the Technology Forum, concurrent sessions by several dental companies that will introduce new technologies for the laboratory and the clinic with special emphasis on hands-on experiences for our dental team. Following the Tech Forum, part two of the Digital Realities 2011 workshop will feature a Techno-Clinical Symposium with world-renown clinicians and technicians discussing the issues facing the specialty. Other Saturday offerings include a Sinus Lift/Augmentation and Bone Grafting workshop and a ClearAligner™ workshop. Also new this year is Public Relations and Media Training for members on Saturday afternoon. It's a day that you will surely not want to miss!

Online registration is coming soon. Mark your calendar now and plan to attend the ACP's 41st Annual Session this fall. Visit [www.prosthodontics.org/AS](http://www.prosthodontics.org/AS) for all the latest Annual Session news. See you in Scottsdale!

## Table Clinics submissions due by Aug. 12

Calling all prosthodontic residents and predoctoral dental students! Showcase your research and laboratory techniques during the 41st Annual Session Table Clinics Competition. The competition will be held during the 41st Annual Session in Scottsdale on Thursday, Nov. 3. Cash prizes will be awarded for the top three finishers in each competition. The deadline for submission is Aug. 12.

For more information visit the Annual Session homepage at [www.prosthodontics.org/AS](http://www.prosthodontics.org/AS).

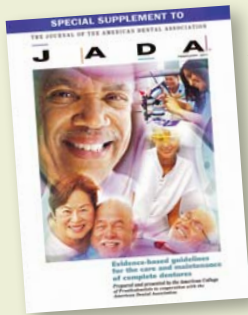
## Call for abstract submissions

Two sessions have been opened to allow members to speak for 12 minutes followed by a short question and answer period. All members are invited to submit a title and abstract for their presentations.

Visit the Annual Session Homepage at [www.prosthodontics.org/AS](http://www.prosthodontics.org/AS) to learn more about the call for abstracts including guidelines, deadlines and other details.

# HEARD HERE

## ACP Denture Care Guidelines published



The *Journal of the American Dental Association* published a supplement to its February 2011 issue featuring the ACP's Denture Care Guidelines. The ACP formed a Task Force to develop the evidence-based guidelines comprised of individuals from the ACP, the Academy of General Dentistry, the ADA Council on Scientific Affairs, the American Dental Hygienists' Association, the National Association of Dental Laboratories and GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare. Read the abstract online on the ADA website or if you are an ADA member, login to read the full supplement. The ACP's *Journal of Prosthodontics* also published the report in a special supplement to its February 2011 issue. Login to the Members Only section of the ACP website and click on the Journal link the left-hand column to read the supplement.

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## Your healthy practice



Have you examined the health of your practice lately? Now is the time to focus on the well-being of your office. This new monthly feature in the Wednesday Wake-up Call™ is chock full of tips and ideas to use in your everyday practice to help you achieve optimal health. Visit the Your Healthy Practice Homepage to read more online. Simply select the Your Healthy Practice link under the Dental Professionals category in the left-hand column on the ACP website.

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## Denture adhesive guidelines back in the news

Zinc containing denture adhesives are back in the news. Last year the ACP updated its 2009 guidelines on how to properly apply denture adhesive. View the denture adhesive guidelines on the ACP website by selecting Dentures in the left-hand column under Public and Patients. These guidelines contain photographs that help to demonstrate the proper use of denture adhesives. Consider downloading the guidelines to share with your patients or direct them to the ACP website to learn more about proper denture care.

## New digital Messenger online now



Have you seen the new digital Messenger? The new format offers more functionality than ever before! Highlights of the digital format include:

- Jump to any article featured over the cover by clicking on the title.
- E-mail the ACP President and Editor-in-Chief your comments and questions by clicking on their email addresses.

• Search each publication for a person or keyword by clicking on the green magnifying glass button at the top of the screen.

Visit [www.prosthodontics.org](http://www.prosthodontics.org), log in to the Members Only area and select Messenger in the left-hand column under ACP Membership to try out the new functionality.

## Dental students and residents: Apply for ACP Research Fellowships by Oct. 14



Dr. Kenneth S. Kurtz,  
ACP Research  
Committee Chair

The ACP Education Foundation and the ACP are committed to assisting the dental profession in its quest for continuous improvement in clinical care. This fall, the ACPEF will award research fellowship grants up to the amount of \$6,000 to support meritorious research proposals that seek to advance basic scientific and applied clinical knowledge in the area of prosthodontics. Any investigation relevant to prosthodontic care is appropriate including all disciplines in prosthodontics: fixed implant, maxillofacial and removable prosthetics.

The competition is open to all U.S. dental students, residents and fellows, as well as to graduate students in dental-related fields (e.g., oral biology, biomaterials, etc.). The ACP Research Committee will review the applications and award decisions will be communicated to all applicants by early December. Payment is made in two installments, the first in January and the second following approval of a six-month progress report.

Grant recipients will be obligated to submit two brief progress reports annually; one every six months, and will be required to submit a manuscript based on the work to the *Journal of Prosthodontics* within two years of the award. (Manuscript publication is subject to review and approval by the Editor-in-Chief.)

Applications are due Oct. 14 and complete guidelines are available online at [www.acpef.org](http://www.acpef.org).

## Now available: teeth whitening brochure

Be armed when patients ask you about teeth whitening options with the ACP's newest brochure, Brighten Your Smile. Written for the consumer audience, this easy to read brochure is an ideal way to educate patients and potential patients about teeth whitening. Topics include dental bleaching options, long-term results and risks. Check out the ACP Products page for more information and to download an order form at <http://www.prosthodontics.org/products/ACPProducts.asp>.



## Sold-out marketing course a hit with attendees

Founding Partner Lonnie Hirsch and Malcolm Palmer of Healthcare Success Strategies presented a two-day practice marketing course to a sold-out crowd in Las Vegas this past February. Over 50 attendees participated in Grow Your Prosthodontic Practice Revenues Through Ethical Marketing at Caesar's Palace. Participants learned how to best build referrals, garner free press, get patients to refer, advertise effectively and win patients from the Internet. Designed for the prosthodontist and his or her staff, the course received very positive feedback. "It was an eye-opening lecture on how to reinvent the practice in this competitive world," said Dr. Fernando Munguia, an ACP Fellow and private practitioner from Upland, California. Rosa Gonzalez, a dental assistant from Torrance, California enjoyed the course as well. "I highly recommend more doctors invite their staff to these kinds of meetings. It was very informative and it helped me better understand how important marketing is to the growth of our practice."

Check out the ACP website at [www.prosthodontics.org](http://www.prosthodontics.org) and click on Meetings & Events from any page of the website to learn more about future continuing education opportunities available from the ACP.

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**Mary P. Walker, D.D.S., Ph.D.**

**Biosketch:** In June 2010, ACP member Mary Walker was appointed to serve as the Assistant Dean for Research and Graduate Programs at the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry. In addition to serving as the assistant dean, Dr. Walker is a professor in the departments of Oral Biology and Restorative Dentistry and is the director for the school's Ph.D. and M.S. Oral Biology degree programs. Besides a prosthodontics specialty certificate, Dr. Walker has an M.S. and Ph.D. degree. Prior to her academic career, Dr. Walker was in private practice. She also previously held the position of Chair of the ACP Research Committee.

**Current Research:** Dr. Walker has been involved in translational and clinical research focused on biomaterials and mineralized tissues. She has published more than 50 papers in peer-reviewed journals as well as two book chapters. One of her current investigations is an NIH/NIDCR funded R01 project to evaluate the effects of head and neck cancer radiotherapy on the dentition. Evidence to date indicates for the first time that the severity of tooth breakdown is linked to the individual tooth radiation dose suggesting a direct effect of radiation on tooth structure. The next phase of the study is directed toward understanding the mechanism(s) responsible for the altered structure/function characteristics of radiated teeth, which should potentially lead to improved preventive and restorative treatments for oral cancer patients post-radiation.

**Technology that will shape the future:** Research in prosthodontics and throughout dentistry is changing as a result of the application of innovative instrumentation and technology, such as acoustic force microscopy/nanoindentation, scanning acoustic microscopy, and various spectroscopic analyses. These technologies allow for the non-destructive, systematic evaluation of mineralized tissues and their interface with restorative materials or implants in terms of mechanical properties, chemical structure, and associated function. Beyond technology, successful research efforts must include a collaborative team of material scientists, clinical scientists, and engineers. With the combination of cutting edge technology and a team approach, novel biomaterials and devices can be developed to replace or repair craniofacial/dental tissues lost or damaged as a result of disease, trauma or age.

**McGarry honored**



After serving for the past decade on the ACP Education Foundation Board of Directors, Thomas McGarry, D.D.S., stepped down from the Foundation Board. Dr. McGarry previously served as co-chair of the Foundation's successful New Vision capital campaign as well as Chair of the Foundation. Dr. McGarry also served for more than 20 years on the ACP Board of Directors including as the 2000-01 President. The ACPEF and ACP commended Dr. McGarry for his incredible vision and service to the College and Foundation.

**Young Innovator Award**



*Dr. Seiichi Yamano*

The ACPEF Board of Directors is pleased to present the first ACP/ACPEF Young Prosthodontist Innovator Award to Seiichi Yamano, D.D.S., Ph.D., D.M.D., M.M.S.C. Dr. Yamano is Assistant Professor of Prosthodontics at New York University College of Dentistry and received the award for the project entitled, Novel Gene Enhanced Bone Tissue Engineering use 3-D Printed Scaffolds.

The goal of the award is to advance understanding of prosthodontic-related biological and/or materials systems, human behavior, cost and care of delivery as well as economic modeling and Quality of Life investigations. The scope of research is any area of science that contributes to the understanding of prosthodontic tooth replacement therapies.



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# MEMBER NEWS

## ACP members honored at ADEA Annual Session

The American Dental Education Association recently recognized the contributions of many dental educators, researchers and students at the 2011 ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition in San Diego, Calif., March 12-16. Several ACP members were included in the group of recognized leaders and received awards during the meeting. ACP President-Elect Lily T. Garcia, D.D.S., M.S., F.A.C.P. was one of nine leaders honored with the Presidential Citations for her service to ADEA. Dr. Garcia is the Director of the Division of Advanced Education and External Affairs in the Department of Comprehensive Dentistry, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Dental School. She is also a Fellow of the ACP and serves as Editor-in-Chief of the *Messenger*.

ADEA, in association with the Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity, also named ACP Fellow Lillian M. Mitchell, D.D.S., the recipient of the ADEA/Alpha Omega Foundation/Leonard Abrams Scholar in the ADEA Leadership Institute. Dr. Mitchell is the Director of Fixed Prosthodontics at the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Dentistry. In addition, the ADEA/ADEA Council of Students, Residents, and Fellows/Colgate-Palmolive Co. Junior Faculty Award will be presented to ACP Member Berna Saglik, D.D.S. Dr. Saglik is Clinical Assistant

Professor in the Department of Biologic and Materials Sciences and Prosthodontics at University of Michigan School of Dentistry. The ADEA/Zimmer Dental Implant Education Teaching Award was presented to the University of Illinois at Chicago. The award is given once every two years and recognizes an institution and dental educator team that has demonstrated a commitment to excellence and innovation in the field of implant dentistry education.

ACP members on the award-winning UIC team include: Rand F. Harlow, D.D.S., Clinical Assistant Professor and Director of Predoctoral Implant Education, Stephen Campbell, D.D.S., M.M.Sc., F.A.C.P., Director, Comprehensive Dental Implant Center and Head, Department of Restorative Dentistry, Judy Yuan, D.D.S., M.S., Predoctoral Dental Implant Education, Damian Lee, D.D.S., Predoctoral Dental Implant Education, Cortino Sukotjo, D.D.S., Ph.D., M.M.Sc., Predoctoral Dental Implant Education and Kent Knoernschild, D.M.D., M.S., F.A.C.P., Advanced Prosthodontic Program Director.

## Welcome New Members

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

### Members

Dr. Rajendra Desai  
Dr. Sergio Runbinstein  
Dr. Chandur Wadhvani

### Fellows

Dr. Joseph B. Breitman  
Dr. Andrew Chapokas  
Dr. Donald Ryan Cook  
Dr. Mohamed Elsafi  
Dr. Adam J. Geach  
Dr. Juanli Guo  
Dr. Aaron Benjamin Harding  
Dr. James W. Kim  
Dr. Soong-Ryong Jung  
Dr. Aaron Segal  
Dr. Aysegul Siranli  
Dr. Derek Donald Soden  
Dr. Kian Meng Tan

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Dr. Lily Huynh  
Dr. Kevin Lin  
Dr. Syridon Varthis

### Dental Technician Alliance Members

Mr. David Dickinson  
Mr. Paul Francouer  
Mr. Dany Sakr

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Dr. Chris Wyatt

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Mr. Eric Navok  
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### Status Changes

#### Member to Active Life Member

Dr. Stephen Bergen  
Dr. Robert Brustad  
Dr. Michael Carpenter  
Dr. Robert Dent  
Dr. Jacob M. Gordon  
Dr. Peter Johnson

#### Member to Retired Life Member

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Dr. Clarence Chinn  
Dr. Robert Cronin  
Dr. Jon Finley  
Dr. Richard E. Jones  
Dr. Mohammad Mazaheri  
Dr. John McCasland  
Dr. Frederick Muenchinger  
Dr. Eric Rasmussen  
Dr. James Schreiner  
Dr. George Schuetz

Dr. James Smith  
Dr. Hussein Zaki  
Dr. Irving Zamikoff

### Reinstated Members

Dr. David Anderson  
Dr. Reva Barewal  
Dr. Jorge Barrios  
Dr. L. Bilal Beckles  
Dr. Bruce Butcher  
Dr. John L. Chiou  
Dr. Panagiotis Glavas (Peter)  
Dr. Robert Holland  
Dr. Stephen Kowalczyk  
Dr. Brent E. Ludens  
Dr. Maria Marzo  
Dr. Jiten Master  
Dr. Alfonso Pineyro  
Dr. Haroun Rostami  
Dr. Ryllis Rousseau  
Dr. Edward Scherder  
Dr. Ashton Trier

### Reinstated Fellows

Dr. David Appleby  
Dr. David Cooley

### Reinstated International Members

Dr. Masakazu Nishibori

### Reinstated Dental Technician Alliance Member

Mr. Roman Maiberg



North Carolina Section President Dr. Paul Scruggs presents the Section Lifetime Achievement award to Dr. John B. Sowter.

## North Carolina Section convened in Raleigh

The North Carolina Section of the College held their first formal Section meeting in several years on Jan. 21 in Raleigh, North Carolina at the Umstead Hotel. Dental technician Dominico Cascione, M.D.T. and ACP member Anas Aloum, D.D.S. presented an all-day program on dental technology and advanced prosthodontics in the treatment of multi-faceted, complicated cases involving implants and natural teeth. The program was very well received with 67 prosthodontists, residents and technicians in attendance.

During a brief lunch meeting, the section presented a Lifetime Achievement Award to a fellow ACP member, John B. Sowter, D.D.S., a charter member and retired life fellow. Dr. Sowter trained under Carl Boucher, D.D.S., Ph.D., at Ohio State University and enjoyed a great career as an educator and authored the book *Removable Prosthodontics Techniques* which is still in use today. Dr. Sowter taught at University of North Carolina School of Dentistry until 1974, at which time he embarked on a private practice career and became the first private practice prosthodontist in the state of North Carolina. He was well known for his total dedication to his patients and his ability to fix almost anything through adaptation and innovation. In 1998, he left practice and returned to the UNC School of Dentistry to embark on what would become a second career stint at the school where he stayed for another ten years, becoming a perennial favorite among students in the removable prosthodontics clinic. After presentation of the award by North Carolina Section President Paul Scruggs, Dr. Sowter received a unanimous standing ovation fitting for such a storied career in our specialty.

The meeting was so successful, that it will become an annual event with programs emphasizing the teamwork between prosthodontists and dental technicians.

## Call for ABP examiner nominations

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 internal recruitment process, members of the Council invite nominations for ABP Examiner to be submitted by a petition signed and endorsed by 25 Diplomates. The petition, the nominee's letter of intent and curriculum vitae must be received by the ACP Executive Director by July 1, 2011.

Send the petition and supporting documentation to: Ms. Nancy Deal Chandler, Executive Director, American College of Prosthodontists, 211 East Chicago Ave., Suite 1000, Chicago, IL 60611-2688.

For questions or additional information please contact Carla Baker, Associate Executive Director, by phone at (312) 573-1260, ext. 222 or by e-mail to [cbaker@prosthodontics.org](mailto:cbaker@prosthodontics.org).

## Young Stars

The recipients of the 2011 ACPEF Research Fellowship Award Recipients are among the best and brightest in the specialty. Each was asked: what is the best advice given to them during their residency and what do they value most about their involvement with the ACP.



### **Richard C. Cardoso, D.D.S.**

*Student Member*

*Veterans Affairs Medical Center '10*

#### **What is the best advice given to you during your prosthodontic residency?**

The best advice I was given during my career was from my mother: "A burden that one chooses is not felt." By making prosthodontics your passion it will never seem like a chore and will always be exciting. I am grateful to my mentors at the Michael E. DeBakey-VA Medical Center and M.D. Anderson Cancer Center for leading by example when it comes to showing passion for one's chosen career.

#### **What do you value most about your membership with the ACP?**

What I value most about my membership in the ACP is the organization's commitment to the "next generation." The ACP not only provides a support system for young students to perform and present research, but also affords them the opportunity to attend national meetings where they can learn the latest and the greatest from the field's top clinicians.



### **Edward Givens Jr., D.D.S.**

*Student Member*

*University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill '12*

#### **What is the best advice given to you during your prosthodontic residency?**

The best advice that I have received during my residency is essentially to push ahead. It is no secret that while there is a tremendous sense of satisfaction in seeing the end result of the prosthodontic care that we provide our patients, there can also be a significant number of challenges along the way. I can identify certain moments where the difficulties at times seemed insurmountable; however, with the advice and support of co-residents, I have been able to make it through those challenges.

#### **What do you value most about your membership with the ACP?**

As a member of the ACP, I would have to say that the things I value the most are the contributions the organization has made, to its individual members, as well as the profession as a whole. When members of an organization, such as the ACP, are united, the possibilities for influence and change are almost limitless.



### **Rajita Kodali Kanuru, B.D.S.**

*University of California, Los Angeles '12*

#### **What is the best advice given to you during your prosthodontic residency?**

I don't know who told it to me or how it developed but we use to have a catch phrase in residency that seemed to sum up the entire prosthodontic experience. That phrase was, "It is what it is." A simple enough thing but it was always used as sort of a grounding mechanism. We may not always be able to provide the most sophisticated treatment for our patients because of finances, physiology or anatomy but if we remind ourselves to accept what is available it leaves us open to find the best possible treatment for the patient

#### **What do you value most about the ACP?**

I consider myself very fortunate to have received the ACP grant. The ACP has provided me with the research support that is needed to complete my project successfully. It has provided me with an opportunity to pursue my goals and also think about the future prospects of my research. I am hoping the support of this grant and the guidance of my mentor will help me achieve the highest standards of results in my field of research. Mostly, I value the opportunity of pursuing my future goals through my research.



### **Bryan M. Limmer, D.M.D.**

*Student Member*

*University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill '12*

#### **What is the best advice given to you during your prosthodontic residency?**

A number of people have in one way or another told me that, "If you don't like the journey, you probably won't like the destination." This seems particularly relevant during a prosthodontics residency where day to day stresses might cause one to lose sight of the enjoyment found in solving new problems and the wonderful impact we can have on our patients' lives. Those words also serve as a nice reminder to maintain balance between our professional and personal lives.

#### **What do you value most about your membership with the ACP?**

I most value the sense of community within the ACP. Established members mentor new members, research interests are encouraged and financially supported and the Annual Session provides an opportunity to stay abreast of innovation, as well as the chance to catch up with old friends.



### **Terry Y. Lin, D.D.S., M.S.**

*Student Member*

*New York University '11*

#### **What is the best advice given to you during your prosthodontic residency?**

"Humans have emotion, prostheses don't."

My mentor told me to always remember that I was caring for my patients. If I was diligent in taking care of them, then the prosthodontics would all fall into place and I would grow as a person. My training has not only helped improve my skill set but has broadened me as a human being.

#### **What do you value most about your membership with the ACP?**

By being a member of ACP, I am able to interact with faculty and residents outside of my graduate program. It provides me with an opportunity to exchange ideas in an "informal" setting. In addition, meeting the ACP members that have written the "classic" articles or are "key opinion leaders" is exciting and motivating. It makes me proud to belong to this select group.

## In Memoriam

The College and Board of Directors remember the following colleague who is deceased:

Dr. Samuel Guyer



## In Memorial Dr. Samuel Guyer

ACP Charter Member Samuel Guyer, D.D.S passed away on Saturday, December 11, 2010. Dr. Guyer was born in 1922 in Miami, Oklahoma. He served in the Navy during World War II where he received training as a dental technician. After his service, Dr. Guyer decided to go to dental school and went on to complete his pre-dental education at Oklahoma State University and attend Washington University School of Dental Medicine in St. Louis. Immediately upon graduation, Dr. Guyer joined the faculty of Washington University School as Instructor of Crown and Bridge Prosthetics and became head of the department in 1958. He was promoted to Professor of Fixed Prosthodontics in 1961 and became Chairman of the Department of Restorative Dentistry 1977. In 1987, he was awarded Professor Emeritus of Restorative Dentistry. After his teaching career of 35 years, Dr. Guyer continued practicing prosthodontic dentistry for an additional 11 years. During his career he served on numerous committees and held office in several dental and prosthodontic societies. In addition, Dr. Guyer was a consultant to the Surgeon General of the U.S. Air Force and presented many lectures and post-graduate courses nationally and internationally in prosthodontics. He has also been the recipient of numerous accolades and awards throughout his academic and professional careers. Sam Guyer was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Jane Eidson Guyer. Survivors include four children and two grandchildren.

## Prosthodontic Champion Dr. Hiroshi Hirayama



Hiroshi Hirayama,  
D.D.S., D.M.D.

Hiroshi Hirayama, D.D.S., D.M.D. is a graduate of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine where he received his D.M.D., Master's Degree, and Certification in Prosthodontics. Prior to attending Tufts, he received his D.D.S. from Kyusbu Dental College in Japan.

Dr. Hirayama currently serves as the Division Head of Graduate and Postgraduate Prosthodontics, Advanced Education in Esthetics Dentistry, and the Advanced Dental Technology & Research Program at Tufts University. He is also a professor in the Division of the Department of Prosthodontics and Operative Dentistry. Additionally, Dr. Hirayama maintains a successful private practice, specializing in prosthodontics.

In addition to these duties, Dr. Hirayama is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and a Fellow of the ACP. He is also an editor of the ACP Board Study Guide on CD-ROM and has published many articles in peer review journals. Dr. Hirayama has also spent time lecturing both nationally and abroad.

### What inspires your work as a prosthodontist?

I came to the U.S. to attend the Quintessence meeting in Boston in 1986 and met great people that then inspired me to pursue my prosthodontic training in the U.S. I then returned to the U.S. to study at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and met my mentor Dr. Gino Passamonti, who was at the time the Director of the Prosthodontic Program at Tufts program for the last 24 years. Dr. Passamonti inspired me to specialize in prosthodontics. I had originally wanted to specialize in both periodontics and prosthodontics, but Dr. Passamonti encouraged me to focus on one.

### As a successful prosthodontist, educator and more, how do you balance the demands of your career with personal enjoyment? Share a little with your colleagues about your interests outside of the specialty.

My wife, whom I met in dental school in Japan, is a pediatric dentist so we talk about dentistry a lot and also travel together. Cooking is also my passion right now when not working.

### What advice would you impart to dental students and/or pros residents embarking on a career in prosthodontics?

Students and residents have to understand why they are in the program they chose and commit to it. We have to make an effort everyday and can't be perfect, but must strive for perfection. It's an endless learning process. I am still learning from my students and patients even today.

### Where do you see the specialty in 10-15 years?

We are strongly conscious of the fact the future of prosthodontics as a specialty is in the hands of young graduate and postgraduate students and prosthodontics educators whose enthusiasm and sense of involvement will carry the specialty forward. We are the experts in treatment planning and management of complex cases through advanced technology such as CAD/CAM, digital impression technology, digital image modeling and other digital technologies. We also continue to maintain our main focus on the foundation of traditional prosthodontics education. We are very fortunate to be able to provide education with state of the art technology; but there is no substitute for state of the art knowledge.

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program following current CODA accreditation standards. Participation in teaching, research, administration, service and patient care is expected. Qualifications include a DDS/DMD degree, completion of an ADA-accredited advanced education program in prosthodontics and eligibility for licensure in Texas. American Board of Prosthodontics certification is required.

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. Academic rank and salary will be commensurate with the candidate's credentials and experience.

Applicants should provide the following items in electronic (pdf) format: 1) a personal statement delineating qualifications, career goals, and brief summary of curriculum vitae; 2) curriculum vitae, and 3) names, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses of three references. Applications or inquiries should be sent electronically to Dr. Brian Mealey at: [mealey@uthscsa.edu](mailto:mealey@uthscsa.edu). Telephone inquiries can be directed to Dr. Mealey at (210) 567-3567.

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### APRIL 2011

**The Southeastern Academy of Prosthodontics Annual Meeting**  
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April 14-17, 2011  
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May 4-8, 2011  
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Boston, MA  
May 18-21, 2011  
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San Juan, Puerto Rico  
Aug. 2-5, 2011  
[www.estheticacademy.org](http://www.estheticacademy.org)

### SEPTEMBER 2011

**Prosthodontics Update 2011**  
Rosemont, IL  
Sept. 23-24, 2011  
[www.prosthodontics.org](http://www.prosthodontics.org)

**The International Academy of Gnathology, American Section Congress XXV**  
San Antonio, TX  
Sept. 28 - Oct. 1, 2011  
<http://www.gnathologyusa.org/>

### OCTOBER 2011

**American Academy of Implant Dentistry 60th Annual Meeting**  
Las Vegas, NV  
Oct. 19-22, 2011  
[www.aaid.com/index.html](http://www.aaid.com/index.html)

**American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics 59th Annual Meeting**  
Scottsdale, AZ  
Oct. 29 - Nov. 1, 2011  
[www.maxillofacialprosth.org/Home.html](http://www.maxillofacialprosth.org/Home.html)



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## Better?

Better? Better than what, you may ask. We – the ACP – can always improve on key services to our members. One such service is the ACP *Messenger* and if you are reading this column, you are one of the members who sees value in this means of communication. With that said, one change implemented in this issue is the elimination of the *Executive Director's Corner* and eventually, the column I provide as the editor of the *Messenger* will also be eliminated to create room for other member interest areas.

The *Messenger* is undergoing a “hard look” in preparation for a major transformation. Until such time, we want to add value in addition to the highlights of our organization and members that we feature throughout the year. In the coming weeks, we will ask you for input as we seek to improve our content to benefit you. We hope to bring you information from new as well as “seasoned” practitioners, to offer some words of advice related to the challenges of starting a practice or from the other end of the spectrum, pearls of wisdom gleaned from a well-established practice. The shared experiences may be of key value for those in different stages of development of a practice as well as an opportunity to highlight a member in practice.

Better? Yes, we can be better in practice and the ACP can be better in providing our members important information. We welcome your thoughts and feedback by contacting me via e-mail, and hope you stay tuned to the *Wednesday Wake-up Call™* in coming weeks for information. Thank you in advanced for your input and participation!

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May 16	Proposed slate of nominations published electronically to membership.
May 16 – June 23	Membership may submit additional nominees by petition. Those nominee(s) meeting the petition requirements are placed on the slate.
June 28	Final slate of nominations is published to membership.
June 28 – July 28	Candidate campaign period.
August 1 – September 1	Election opens electronically to membership for voting on open Board positions.
September 8	Election results announced to membership electronically.

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