

New Federal Services Award Established at Annual Session

35 years ago, the ACP was founded by a group of primarily federal services prosthodontists. In order to honor this impressive portion of our membership, Past-President Arbree established a new award to honor our federal services colleagues at this past Annual Session in Ottawa. The award was named after ACP charter member and fellow, Major General (Ret.) Bill Lefler.

Maj. Gen. Lefler's military career of over 34 years was noteworthy for excellence in patient care, education, and leadership. He holds the distinction as the only chief of the U.S. Army Dental Corps to have served as mentor, dental activity commander, senior dental corps staff officer and in all three dental corps general officer positions. Maj. Gen. Lefler also served as clinic director at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, DENTAC commander at Fort Jackson, SC and senior dental corps staff officer. Promoted to the rank of brigadier general in 1979, his career culmi-



Left to right: Dr. Thomas Schneid, federal services committee chair; Dr. Nancy Arbree, 2004 ACP President; Dr. Bill Lefler; Ms. Lisa Curtis and Dr. Thomas Reddy, Straumann.

nated in his assignment as assistant surgeon general and chief, Army Dental Corps. Among Maj. Gen. Lefler's many military awards are two Distinguished Service Medals, the Legion of Merit,

the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Expert Field Medical Badge, the Chief of Staff's Badge, and the Order of Military Medical Merit.

In addition to his military experience, Maj. Gen. Lefler has demonstrated a lifelong commitment to his profession and organized dentistry. A diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics since 1970, ACP charter fellow, American and International Colleges of Dentists fellow, member of the Pierre Fauchard Academy and numerous other professional organizations. Furthermore, Maj. Gen. Lefler has been a singular example of service to others as a leader and member of many civic organizations including the Boys and Girls Club of America, the Boy Scouts of America, the American Red Cross, multiple hospital boards and additional organizations at the state, local and national level.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Task force to Study the Role of State Sections in College Governance

Experts who study our changing world tell us that the futures of today's fraternal organizations, religious groups, and professional societies will depend on their ability to engage members in meaningful roles. This notion is acutely relevant where it concerns our youth, for they will lead us into tomorrow, define what is relevant and bring along the next generation of conscientious citizens willing to give of themselves for the betterment of others.

Since the founding of the American College of Prosthodontists in 1970, the ACP has endeavored to serve dentists with specialty training in prosthodontics so that they could better care for their patients. Through the decades, the ACP has reached out and encouraged its members to help "make a difference." As far back as I can remember, not much effort has been needed to get members involved in College activities. That is changing, however, and we need to look at new ways to engage our members.

For more than a decade, we have called on our state sections to provide member participation in the governance of the College. Sections, by definition, elect or appoint a member (or members) to represent them at the House of Delegates (HOD) meeting. Every year, during the Annual Session, delegates gather to hear reports from officers, division directors, select committee chairs, the editor of the *JP*, the College's executive director and special guests. Delegates act on resolutions submitted by the Board of Directors and determine policies that govern the College. They are, according to the ACP bylaws, "the supreme authoritative body of the College."

While the structure and function of the HOD have served the ACP well, the time has come to consider a new mechanism for member participation. At the 2004 HOD meeting in Ottawa, delegates commented that the verbal



Dr. Patrick Lloyd
ACP President

reports were redundant because the content had already been provided to delegates in advance of the meeting. They also asked for more opportunities for open dialogue and more forums for discussion.

In response to these concerns, a task force has been formed and charged to evaluate the effectiveness of the our state sections and the role of the HOD in governing the College. Dr. Jonathan Wiens (Michigan) has accepted the Board's invitation to serve as the chair of the task force. Dr. Wiens is recognized by many for his involvement in the administrative function of several prosthodontic organizations. He is presently a Forum representative to the HOD. To help him prepare him for the responsibilities associated with this charge and to expose him to the Board's knowledge-based approach, he will be attending Board meetings.

The membership of this task force is made up of people who have a demonstrated interest in the governance of the ACP. Each has participated in the activities of the HOD and has expressed an appreciation for the need to give this issue consideration. Members participating in the evaluation include:

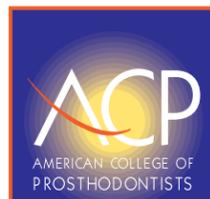
Chris Di Turi, New Jersey
Tom Meng, Nebraska
Katherine Lee, Arizona
Ken Schweitzer, New York

Because of his involvement in the initial formation of the HOD and his present role as speaker of the House, Richard Seals (Texas) will also serve as a member of the task force.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

1970 was a Great Year



Mr. Edward J. Cronin, Jr.
ACP Executive Director

I graduated from high school in 1970. So that year will always have special meaning to me. But, a lot of important events happened during that fateful year

- The Apollo 13 space flight drama unfolded before our eyes.
- Paul McCartney left the Beatles.
- Four students were killed at Kent State.
- The voting age was reduced to 18.
- Simon and Garfunkel had the top-selling album.
- The Boston Bruins won the Stanley Cup.
- *Patton* won the Academy Award for Best Picture.
- Janis Joplin, Vince Lombardi and Charles DeGaulle died.
- Richard Nixon was president.
- A gallon of gas cost \$.36.
- A new home cost \$26,500.

As you can see, a whole lot has changed since 1970. In thinking back, the hardest change for me to accept is the realization that I weighed only 165 pounds in 1970.

Another important event happened in 1970 that did not receive much fanfare or notice: Twelve committed prosthodontists came together and founded the American College of Prosthodontists. As we begin our 35th year, I think it is appropriate to acknowledge the people who had the vision to create an organization whose membership is limited to prosthodontists who are qualified by specific educational achievements.

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As I tried to communicate in the last *Messenger*, the ACP has constantly grown and is now a thriving, diverse organization with a strong future.

We plan to recognize our 35th year in many ways but the grandest will be our 35th Annual Session in Los Angeles, October 26 – 29, 2005. Many people are already working hard to make this the best Annual Session ever. ACP president, Patrick Lloyd, has charged us all with the slogan "1K in LA," aimed at bringing 1,000 attendees to our meeting.

This ambitious goal can be achieved only if we provide a compelling reason for you to come. President Lloyd and Annual Session program chair, Dr. Steven Eckert, are developing a unique scientific program that encourages greater member participation. We are also planning many exciting social events taking advantage of our great Los Angeles/Beverly Hills location. Mark your calendars now!

Finally, as we begin the New Year, your ACP staff is looking forward to working with each of you to make some contribution to the success of ACP this year. We appreciate your support and help in making our 35th anniversary special and guaranteeing future successes. Recruit a new member, serve on a committee, attend our Annual Session and other educational events and stock up on patient education brochures! Get involved today.

Technician's Program Donation Needs

Operational since 1970, the Dental Auxiliary School, a Jamaican government training facility, only began training dental laboratory technicians in 2002. Currently, 8 fully-qualified technicians trained overseas serve approximately 175 dentists and the 2.65 million residents of Jamaica.

The technician's program was instated to address the local prosthetic needs due, in part, to the relatively recent (1987) fluoridation as well as the growing issue of unqualified technicians serving dentists. The program's technicians will be trained to serve the dental community and public ethically and within the scope of their profession.

The School has four separate auxiliary programs that share a first year core curriculum, providing a ladder system for horizontal or vertical movement to specific fields in semesters 3-6. The movement to accreditation, degree granting, and becoming part of a University is in process and expected later this year. The School made great progress meeting many requirements for accreditation, but needs outside assistance to fully meet all the requirements. To help establish and support a viable program, the School is currently seeking the assistance of individuals or professional groups of dentists or technicians to contribute or provide for some of its needs, including:

- Flooring, paneling, doors/windows, paneling, air conditioning, laboratory benches, plumbing, gas lines, plaster trap, etc. to refurbish two shipping containers and provide a well-vented laboratory for acrylic work, ceramics and castings. Local containers preferred.
- Equipment and supply needs including crown and bridge ceramic furnace (Jeirus Wizard) with pump; investment burn-out furnace; sand blaster; chrome high-speed motor (with quick chuck) and extractor fan.; centrifugal electric

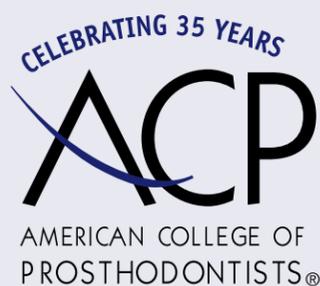
casting machine; ceramic metal and powder; chrome investment, wax dip, casting rings, duplicating material, crucibles; orthodontic wire; (2) bench motors with appropriate hand-pieces and carbide burs (especially cones); K metal; student technician instrument kits; vibrators (2); a model trimmer; and a TV/VCR combo with appropriate training videos.

- Volunteer dentists, prosthodontists and technicians to teach portions of the curriculum. Many of our courses could be modular and completed in a short period of time, with advanced planning.
- Continuing education programs for the dentists and technicians in the area.

The School's future is optimistic with plans for a cost recovery clinic in one of the two 11-chair clinical blocks. This clinic would not only provide comprehensive care for adults and children, but would provide laboratory prescriptions for the student technicians. The School is also eager to publicize the program and increase attendance and awareness.

Through continuing education, the School plans to strengthen the knowledge and skill-base of local dentists who perform prosthetic work including implants. In addition, the Dental Council is also considering allowing a dental technician assistant's abbreviated certificate program for specific procedures (e.g. complete dentures) – intended to reach out to technicians currently practicing without appropriate training.

To support the school, contact Dr. Thaon Jones, Dental Auxiliary School Director, at (876) 926-1576 or dasgoja@hotmail.com. Food for the Poor in Florida helps ship donations to Kingston.



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Why Prosthodontic Residency?

By Michael D. Brooks, Mayo Clinic, PGY4

While dental school provided its challenges, I wanted a career where I felt I was making a difference and a significant contribution to society. The routine general dental care didn't have the minimal impact on people's lives I needed.

By my luck, Dr. Tom Vergo gave a lecture at my dental school (Tufts University) on maxillofacial prosthodontics. He talked about how the patients were going through challenging, life altering events (often out of their control) and how his intervention was making an impact on the quality of their lives. While originally attracted to maxillofacial prosthetics I soon realized that the breadth of the specialty offered the ability to dramatically change a person's life as well. Unlike other specialties, patients treated by prosthodontists often have no choice other than a prosthodontist to address their complex needs. We are often the last line of defense for these patient populations. I knew I wanted serve in this capacity.

The problem with the public's perception of prosthodontists is that they simply don't know who we are and what we provide. Unfortunately, the same is true for dental students. Those familiar with prosthodontics often have a negative perception of a prosthodontist. Historically prosthodontists have been on the forefront of dentistry, but focusing on prosthodontics from the past, albeit necessary in dental school, makes the specialty seem antiquated. Prosthodontics is alive and, in my opinion, more exciting than ever. Especially exciting is the advent and utilization of dental implants. The specialty of prosthodontics is the only specialty that has increased its training length to accommodate the study of this area. This important topic is understandingly the most marketable issue in recruiting new residents into the specialty.

As a resident in my final year in the Mayo Clinic's Prosthodontics/Maxillofacial Prosthetics program, my educational experiences have exceeded my expectations. Mayo is a 4-year combined prosthodontics/maxillofacial prosthet-

ics program. This is unique in that it has allowed me to experience a full 4 years of maxillofacial prosthetics. I have been able to follow individual patients through various stages of treatment and phases of their lives. Rehabilitation of our patients demands careful planning and requires the incorporation of many prosthodontic principles of support, stability and retention. Often, it also requires ingenuity and an artistic approach to address form, function, and esthetics.

I have often been asked why I chose to

specialize in prosthodontics. Dental students and experienced clinicians alike maintain "you get the complicated patients that no one else wants or are able to treat." For this very reason I chose the specialty. It is exciting that with each patient comes unique challenges requiring careful planning and the implementation of treatment options the general dentist may not have in his armamentarium. At the end of the day, prosthodontists provide what patients seek: We are not the intermediate steps; we are the ultimate solutions.

Maxillofacial Residency Programs

In an effort to recognize maxillofacial prosthodontic programs, the ACP Messenger will feature programs in each issue of 2005.

United States Navy Fellowship in Maxillofacial Prosthetics

United States Navy
Maxillofacial Prosthetics Department
Naval Postgraduate Dental School
National Naval Medical Center
8901 Wisconsin Avenue
Bethesda, Maryland 20889-5602

Program Director: Gerald T. Grant, DMD, MS
Captain, Dental Corps, Navy

The US Navy Fellowship in Maxillofacial Prosthetics program is a one-year, ADA-accredited clinically-based training program open to active duty Navy and Department of Defense applicants who have completed a 36-month prosthodontic residency. The fellow is exposed to principles of prosthesis fabrication, rotations in radiation oncology, hematology/oncology, speech pathology, ENT, and recently the Orthopedic Prosthetics Department, an ophthalmologist, and the three dimensional modeling department at Walter Reed Army Medical Center

U.S. Air Force Maxillofacial Prosthetics Fellowship

Wilford Hall Medical Center
2450 Pepperrell St.
Lackland AFB
San Antonio, Texas 78236

Program Director: Villa L. Guillory, DDS, MS

The USAF Maxillofacial Prosthetics Fellowship is a one-year, ADA-accredited clinical and didactic program which includes training in all phases of maxillofacial prosthetics for the management of medically compromised patients, those with congenital or acquired defects of the maxillomandibular region/other facial structures, oncology patients, and patients traumatized by accident, and more recently by terrorism, or war.

ACP Web Site Refers Patients

The ACP has taken great strides in attracting and informing prospective and established patients about prosthodontists and the value of their care. Patients are referred regularly from phone inquiries to the central office, our booth at conferences and tradeshow, and our Web site.

Thanks to our Internet search project, supported by the ACP Education Foundation, when someone searches an ACP sponsored phrase (e.g., dental implants), a link to our find a prosthodontist feature appears at the top of the search. More and more patients are finding you, the ACP membership, through this program.

Dr. Robert M. Bentz, ACP member, regularly asks his patients how they found his practice. More and more, he is finding patients are mentioning the ACP *find a prosthodontist* online referral tool. "When patients find me through the *find a prosthodontist* listing or when they follow my site's link to the ACP," notes Dr. Bentz, "they know I am involved in my professional organization. This increases my credibility and serves as verification of my training and commitment."

Dr. Bentz has reason to be partial to the ACP Web referral service. Recently, he was approached by a patient who found him through the ACP Web

site. During the initial consultation, Dr. Bentz discovered the patient had not seen a dentist in 38 years and was in need of significant prosthodontic care including 16 implants and fixed bridge work. The result of this one referral from the ACP *find a prosthodontist* Web site produced a net revenue in excess of \$50,000. "All in all, not a bad return on my ACP dues investment," commented Dr. Bentz.

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Following his retirement from the Army in 1990, Maj. Gen. Lefler served as the assistant executive director for the Division of Legislative Affairs and director of the Washington, D.C. office of the American Dental Association. In 1995, he returned to Arkansas to practice prosthodontics with his son, Col. (Ret.) Thomas Lefler. He is also serves as president of his own consulting group and was appointed chairman of the Arkansas Tobacco Settlement Commission by the Governor.

Presented by the federal services committee, the award recognizes ACP members active members in one of the five federal services and who exhibit excellence in the areas of leadership, patient care, mentorship and service to the community. The ACP thanks Straumann for sponsoring this award for the next 5 years.

President's Message

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It was the feeling of the Board that a survey of sections and members who have served as delegates may be of benefit to the deliberations of the task force. It would solicit their perceptions about the utility of the HOD and ask for suggestions on other means of conducting ACP business. Should the task force request a survey, the BOD will secure professional assistance in preparing questions, administering the survey, and interpreting the results.

The BOD also suggested that the consulting group that assisted the College in developing our knowledge-based approach to governance be contracted to work with the task force. They helped develop our strategic plan and are therefore familiar with the entire administrative and organizational structure of the ACP.

Our executive director, Ed Cronin, will participate closely in the activities of the task force. The central office will assist in coordinating conference calls, convene meetings, distributing background information, and preparing reports for the BOD.

In order for the BOD to consider recommendations made by the task force and forward them to the HOD for consideration at the 2006 meeting, I have asked that a report be submitted for consideration at our October 2005 meeting. This should allow sufficient time for the task force to collect information, develop proposals, and accept comments and feedback.

I know I speak for our entire membership when I express sincere gratitude to Dr. Wiens and his committee for taking on this charge. Their work will provide the foundation by which the ACP more fully engages its members in its future.

The ACP House of Delegates Moves in a Bold New Direction

At the recent 2004 Annual Session in Ottawa, delegates from state sections, the Federal Services and Student Special Interest Groups, and the Prosthodontic Forum focused on facilitating ACP responses to the changing demands facing our members, organization and specialty. Due to the dynamic nature of our specialty organization, streamlining the ACP committee structure and facilitating the transaction of House of Delegates business activities were at the forefront of many issues considered by the House of Delegates.

The 2004 House of Delegates convened at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 27, 2004. House speaker Dr. Richard Seals, vice-speaker Dr. Robert Ahlstrom, and parliamentarian Dr. Kenneth Kent presided over the opening session as ACP officers, division directors, our executive director, representatives of the American Board of Prosthodontics (ABP), ACP Education Foundation (ACPEF), Prosthodontic Forum, and the *Journal of Prosthodontics* presented reports essential to later deliberations and actions. Dignitaries included ACP president, Dr. Nancy Arbree; all officers and directors of the ACP; ACP immediate past-president, Dr. Jonathan Ferencz; ACP executive director, Mr. Edward Cronin; *Journal of Prosthodontics* editor-in-chief, Dr. David Felton; ACPEF chairman, Dr. Leonard Kobren; ABP president, Dr. Steven Aquillino; ABP executive director, Dr. Thomas Taylor; and, Prosthodontic Forum chair, Dr. Stephen Campbell.

During the report of the public and professional relations division, our public relations firm, CKPR, presented an update on the ACP's national campaign to increase public awareness of prosthodontics and prosthodontists. Clearly, the video news releases broadcasted by television stations across the country and the feature articles printed in newspapers around the country are promoting the specialty of prosthodontics and the ACP to the general public.

Delegates elected Dr. Bruce Valauri as president-elect, Dr. Stephen Campbell as vice-president and Dr. John Agar as director of the continuing professional education division. Drs. Lyndon Cooper and Charles Goodacre were reelected to a second term as the director of the education and research division and second director-at-large respectively. Drs. Ronald Desjardins and Brien Lang were also reelected to second terms on the Council for the American Board of Prosthodontics.

Delegates adjourned from the opening session to form reference committees which discussed specific House resolutions.

Reference committee A, chaired by Dr. Jonathan Wiens, considered and unanimously recommended the following resolutions to the House of Delegates:

- Reinstatement of former Prosthodontic Forum members allowing any member organization losing membership due to non-payment of dues or voluntarily resignation to be reinstated upon payment of full dues for the current calendar year.
- The immediate past-president is to be added to the executive committee membership.
- The president-elect shall have the duties of presiding over Board of Directors meetings in the absence of the president and of being elevated to president upon the death, resignation or permanent incapacity of the president.

Under new business, reference committee A developed a new resolution charging the Board of Directors to address the issues of state sections and the operational structure of the House of Delegates as a mega-issue, submit a written report to the full membership 60 days prior to the 2006 Annual Session and that the issue then be discussed in a facilitated, open-forum workshop at that 2006 House of Delegates opening session.

Reference committee B, chaired by Dr. Katherine Lee, considered and recommended the following resolutions to the House of Delegates:

- The ABP examiner selection process will change the required number of candidates from three to two to four, change the deadline for nomination of candidates from September 1 to July 1, and eliminate the requirement that ballots be mailed within three weeks of the close of the Annual Session.

- Restructures the ACP standing committees, subcommittees, task forces and special interest groups to make the ACP more efficient and flexible as an organization, in response to the 2003 House of Delegates charge to the Board of Directors to review the ACP committee and subcommittee structure as outlined in the Bylaws and recommend to the 2004 House of Delegates potential committee organization to facilitate timely responses to the changing demands facing the specialty.

Reference committee C, chaired by Dr. Tom Meng, deliberated and unanimously recommended the following resolutions to the House of Delegates:

- The amount of non-budgeted expenditures approved by the treasurer increases from \$200.00 to \$2,500.00. Major non-budgeted expenditures (\$2,500 or more) require specific approval by the Board of Directors.
- Fund executive committee members' attendance to meetings sponsored by the American Dental Association, American Dental Education Association, and other meetings as necessary and appropriate.

All recommended resolutions from reference committees A, B and C were passed by the House. The approved budget maintains College dues and fees at their current levels and dedicates approximately 16% of dues revenue to funding the ACP national public relations campaign.

Reference committee meetings were followed by a sections meeting in the afternoon. Sections officers and delegates are the voice of ACP membership, and the commitment of the section representatives participating in the meeting was inspiring. Led by Dr. Frank Tuminelli, with assistance from Dr. Bruce Valauri and ACP membership manager, Ms. Michelle Martin, participants discussed issues vital to our sections including membership recruitment and retention, management of section business activities, successful section programs, the protocol to help sections investigate general dentists advertising as prosthodontists, and the use of e-mail and Web sites to improve section communications.

In the closing session of the House of Delegates on Friday, October 29, 2004, each reference committee chair presented their committee recommendations on assigned or new resolutions.

Dr. Patrick Lloyd was warmly welcomed as the new ACP president. His address as the new president commented on the historic nature of ACP accomplishments over the past few years and expressed the Board of Directors' commitment to continue successes through the implementation of

a knowledge-based governance system of leadership with a focus on strategic planning and addressing the needs of the specialty.

During new business, six new resolutions were passed by the House. The House charged the executive committee to prepare a written report explaining how the Board of Directors is implementing knowledge-based governance and identifying the mega-issues currently being addressed by the Board of Directors; recruitment and retention subcommittee to prepare a written report identifying current and anticipated strategies aimed at growing College membership; sections committee to prepare a written report identifying current and anticipated strategies to improve the health and viability of individual sections, to redirect the organizational focus of ailing sections, and to enhance section participation in College governance; judicial committee to review Article XI, Section 11.3 with special attention to the use of the word "fees" in Section 11.3.b and 11.3.c, and the word "dues" in Section 11.3.d; prosthodontic practice committee to prepare a written report identifying what role allied health professionals have within our profession; and the Central Office staff to ensure listing all members and Fellows in good standing, indicating a desire to be listed, in the online *find a prosthodontist* directory.

The discussions which took place in reference committee A, the section meeting, and the closing session of the House of Delegates were both exciting and invigorating. By its charges to the Board of Directors, committees, subcommittees and central office staff, the House of Delegates has made a commitment to incorporating knowledge-based governance into the House of Delegates and modifying the House of Delegates meeting format to facilitate the transaction of ACP business and to provide a forum for open dialogue and frank discussion. Membership recruitment and retention, as well as section vitality and growth have been identified by the House of Delegates as ACP priorities. Clearly, the 2004 House of Delegates moved in a bold new direction.

Commendation goes to Dr. Katherine Lee, Dr. Tom Meng and Dr. Jonathan Wiens for their efforts as reference committee chairs, to ACP staff, and to the delegates and alternate-delegates who gave their time and energy to represent their fellow ACP members in the House of Delegates. Each section is encouraged to recognize and acknowledge their delegates and alternates serving in the House of Delegates, and their representatives attending the sections meeting. Hopefully, the commitment and enthusiasm of the section delegates and representatives will be shared with their section members.

ACP Public Relations and the Year Ahead

Contributed by CKPR, ACP's public relations firm

Efforts for public relations in 2004 are wrapping up, and we're planning for 2005. We reached more than 66 million people in 2004 with news about prosthodontists, and we're looking forward to new programs for next year.

In 2004, word about prosthodontists ranged from mentions in *USA Today* and *Wall Street Journal* to local newspapers from Poughkeepsie to New Mexico. Our goal was to help people recognize prosthodontists as the true experts in reconstructive and cosmetic dentistry, and through radio, TV and print, that message was relayed to millions.

For next year, we plan to continue our efforts, and we're not only hitting consumers, but key members of our prosthodontic community:

Online Consumer Advertising – Research shows that millions of people are seeking dental information on the Web, and our search engine advertising is proving to be an effective way to get people to the ACP site. By expanding this program, plus adding on banner advertising where our target audience surfs, we will increase traffic to the ACP consumer Web site.

Public Relations 101 – In response to member requests, we are developing a program to help members use public relations for your own prac-

tices in your own community. The program will include Messenger news articles as well as other products to help you become more familiar with PR tactics and implementation strategies.

A Full Pipeline of News Stories – We're staying on top of news trends and continuously pitching story ideas to the media, such as "Making the Most of Your Smile in Your 20s, 30s, 40s and 50s," targeted towards women's publications, and "How to Avoid Costly Mistakes," a story angle that examines the research patients should do before undergoing a dental procedure.

Dental Student Outreach – Encouraging students to consider a career in prosthodontics is essential to our specialty and our organization, and the ACP is providing program support for our student outreach committee. We will develop materials that show students prosthodontists are the most driven of all the specialists. They take on the most complicated cases and earn the biggest rewards – in satisfaction and often in income.

We'll keep you informed of our progress as the year goes forward. Happy New Year and we look forward to an exciting 2005!

Teaching Legacy: ACP Past-President Alex Koper, DDS Jan. 15, 1917-Dec. 4, 2004



The ACP mourns the loss of Past-President Alex Koper who passed away quietly and comfortably at home on Saturday, December 4, 2004 with his family at his side.

Born January 15, 1917 to Miriam Morgenstern and Avrum Koper, he is survived by his wife of 56 years, Corrine,

his two sisters, three children, and seven grandchildren.

Dr. Koper attended UCLA for 3 years and received his BS at USC and then DDS in 1942. He enlisted in the Air Force and was stationed in Guam in WWII.

In addition to his practice in Inglewood and then West Los Angeles, Dr. Koper was the director of the USC Odontic Seminar for forty years of continuous study of prosthodontics. While at

USC, he established one of the first organized Advanced Prosthodontic Education and Training programs on the West Coast. His vision included an educational experience for specialists to work together with dental implants.

Together with Dean Howard Landesman, Dr. Koper, professor emeritus of Continuing Education, expanded the department of Continuing Dental Education to include an extensive international program. As an ambassador for prosthodontics, he lectured all over the world and organized courses in Europe, South America, and Japan.

He and his colleagues in prosthodontics were the first to challenge and pass the newly formed American Board of Prosthodontics Examination. As one of the charter members of the American College of Prosthodontists, Alex served on the first board of directors and as president in 1972-73.

As a member of most important prosthodontic organizations, he was honored as a Fellow in American and International dental and prosthodontic colleges including the Federation of

Prosthodontic Organizations, Academy of Esthetic Dentistry, Pacific Coast Society for Prosthodontics, Academy of Prosthodontics, Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics and Los Angeles Dental Society.

In addition to his professional accomplishments, Dr. Koper was an accomplished pianist as a young boy, an avid bicyclist who loved to travel, and had a great sense of humor. Besides his wines, he was a collector of sweatshirts, pens, shoes, and paperback books.

His charisma, generosity with his time, and knowledge have mentored many dentists and prosthodontists achieve a passion for success in prosthetic dentistry. They in turn have helped many patients with their esthetic and functional prosthodontic problems. The USC School of Dentistry, Dr. Koper's colleagues, students, friends and family, worked together establishing the Alex Koper Endowed Scholarship for Prosthodontic Education to continue his legacy for generations.

— Contributed by Dr. Roy Yanase

Alex Koper's passing marks the terminus of the life of a revered teacher. But he leaves us with a pregnant question: What were the qualities he exemplified which enabled him to have such a positive and indelible impact on his students?

First and foremost, Alex, on a cellular level, operated from an inviolate sense of integrity which infused his personal and professional domain seamlessly. His word was his bond. In addition he possessed a unique blend of Holmesian attention to detail, curiosity, and a deep caring for those he served. He believed he should be a "wet finger" educator and practiced as long as he taught.

As a clinician he used his fine discriminatory skills to discern patients' non-verbal communications, psychological overlays, and chief dental needs. Thus, he elevated the art of patient management to the same level as his prosthodontic treatment. The outcome for his patients was twofold: They developed an enduring trust in his care and a more balanced approach to sharing the responsibility for success. If he would have taught these principles to his students he would have been an excellent teacher, but Alex contributed elements beyond that scope. He used his clinical experiences, including his failures, as a theatre for studying how to refine total therapeutic

care and have an honest and accepting attitude towards one's work. He would often share his zest for unusual cultures with his class and bring perspective to the parochial sphere of his pupils.

His whimsical nature was a perfect counterweight to his precise prescriptions for predictable prosthodontics. But his approach to patient care and meticulous execution of the treatment seemed to be more a window into how to become an impeccable man. That is what captivated so many of his pupils. He had more than a paternal nature. He had an emotional stake in his students' quest. When you engaged him he was present completely and would often inspire through his conviction and encouragement. The same miraculous transformation that he implemented with his patients seemed to be operating with his students. They became enhanced, enthused, and more whole individuals.

His creative instincts, well demonstrated in his *Denture Birds*, continue to inspire unconventional and fascinating approaches to education. He has left a legacy that casts a long shadow on the art and joy and reach of teaching.

— Respectfully submitted by
Dr. Steven J. Sadowsky

ACPEF Koper Endowment

The ACPEF has initiated endowments in the names of prosthodontic mentors to support scholarships to prosthodontic graduate students.

The ACPEF Alex Koper Post-Graduate Scholarship hopes to generate pledges of \$100,000. Donations may be sent to the ACPEF; Alex Koper ACPEF Scholarship Program; 211 E Chicago Ave, Suite 1000; Chicago, IL 60611.

No doubt many of you have been generous contributors to the ACPEF Campaign. However, this is a special chance to honor a gentleman who has made such a difference in your life, and to support the future of prosthodontics.

Tooth Saves Sergeant's Life

Contributed by Dr. AnnaLee Kruyer

Christmas Eve morning a soldier entered the Ibn Sina Hospital in downtown Baghdad covered in his own blood recounting an incredible story. Earlier that morning, two squads were assigned to sweep and clear two adjacent homes where enemy forces were holed-up. The patient, Sgt. C, was leading one of the assault squads. The other squad hit their target first.

Sgt. C heard a lot of small arms fire and yelling, so he rounded the corner to evaluate the situation before advancing his team. Unfortunately, as he turned the corner he found himself staring directly into the barrel of a 9mm automatic pistol. Sgt. C said he never had time to be scared; he just knew he was dead. The terrorist pulled the trigger and, miraculously, Sgt. C found himself still standing. He figured the bullet had missed. He advanced on the Iraqi who immediately surrendered. After the enemy was rounded up, Sgt. C began to feel light-headed. Under the insistence of one of his

soldiers, he proceeded to the hospital where he realized he had lost his front tooth in the gun fight. He believed the ballistic shock from the weapon's blast had knocked the tooth loose. He was wrong.

When he presented early that morning Major Kimberly Perkins, an oral surgeon, took a panograph and discovered the incredible truth. The 9mm bullet did not miss Sgt. C, rather it hit him squarely in the face. The bullet entered just below his nose where it impacted the apex of #8. The energy from the bullet was transferred to the tooth — literally ejecting the tooth from its socket and stopping the bullet in its track. Other than the missing tooth, the majority of Sgt. C's injuries were confined to soft tissue.

Sgt. C is a citizen soldier — a reservist. The prosthodontist in Baghdad, **Lt. Richard Druckman**, made him an acrylic interim treatment partial. And upon his return to the states, Sgt. C received an implant replacement for the missing #8.



The panograph with the bullet clearly visible, embedded in the upper lip.

Awards

Each year, the College presents awards to honor individuals who have made significant contributions to the specialty and the College. The 2004 ACP awards were presented on Friday, October 29, 2004 at the Annual Luncheon during Annual Session in Ottawa, Ontario Canada.

We offer our congratulations and appreciation to all ACP 2004 award recipients.

In addition, the newly Board-certified diplomates (pictured at right) were recognized for their educational accomplishments.

BEST OF THE BEST STUDENT PROSTHODONTIC AWARD

Presented by Stephanie Cornell, Waterpik Technologies, to a senior dental student for excellence in Prosthodontics. This year's recipient was BENJAMIN FIELD, a recent graduate of the University of Alabama.



Left to right: Stephanie Cornell, Waterpik Technologies; Dr. Benjamin Field, University of Alabama; Dr. Nancy Arbree, ACP President.

ACP DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The American College of Prosthodontists Presents the Distinguished Service Award to DR. KENNETH KENT for long-term service and support of the goals and objectives of the College, and substantive contributions to the specialty of Prosthodontics.



Left to right: Dr. Kenneth Kent and Dr. Nancy Arbree, ACP President.

ACP DISTINGUISHED LECTURER AWARD

The American College of Prosthodontists Presents the Distinguished Lecturer Award to DR. GUNNAR CARLSSON for contributions in the areas of science, publication and education, and devotion as a dental educator.



Left to right: Dr. Nancy Arbree, ACP President; Dr. Gunnar Carlsson; Dr. Stephen Campbell, ACP Annual Session Committee Chair.

New Diplomates



Left to right: (Back row) Drs. Longo, Duncan, Henriques, Rodriguez, Sheets, Grant, and Michalakis. (Front row) Drs. Fayz, Wilson, Sierralta, Lang, White and Dumbrigue.

ACP DAN GORDON AWARD

The American College of Prosthodontists Presents the Dan Gordon Award to DR. JOHN BEUMER for a lifetime of achievement in contributing to the advancement of the College and the specialty of Prosthodontics, dentistry, science and the health professions.

ACP EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

The American College of Prosthodontists Presents the Educator of the Year Award to DR. LILY T. GARCIA for academic dentistry achievement and contributing to the advancement of the specialty of Prosthodontics, science, and the health professions.



Left to right: Dr. Lily Garcia and Dr. Nancy Arbree, ACP President.

ACP CLINICIAN/RESEARCH AWARD

The American College of Prosthodontists Presents the Clinician/Researcher Award to DR. LYNDON COOPER for contributions to academic dentistry and contributing to the advancement of the specialty of Prosthodontics, science and the health professions.



Left to right: Dr. Nancy Arbree, ACP President, and Dr. Lyndon Cooper.

RECOGNITION OF 2004 ANNUAL SESSION COMMITTEE CHAIR

DR. STEPHEN D. CAMPBELL For his contribution as Chair of the ACP 2004 Annual Session.



Left to right: Dr. Stephen Campbell and Dr. Nancy Arbree, ACP President.

TABLE CLINIC WINNERS

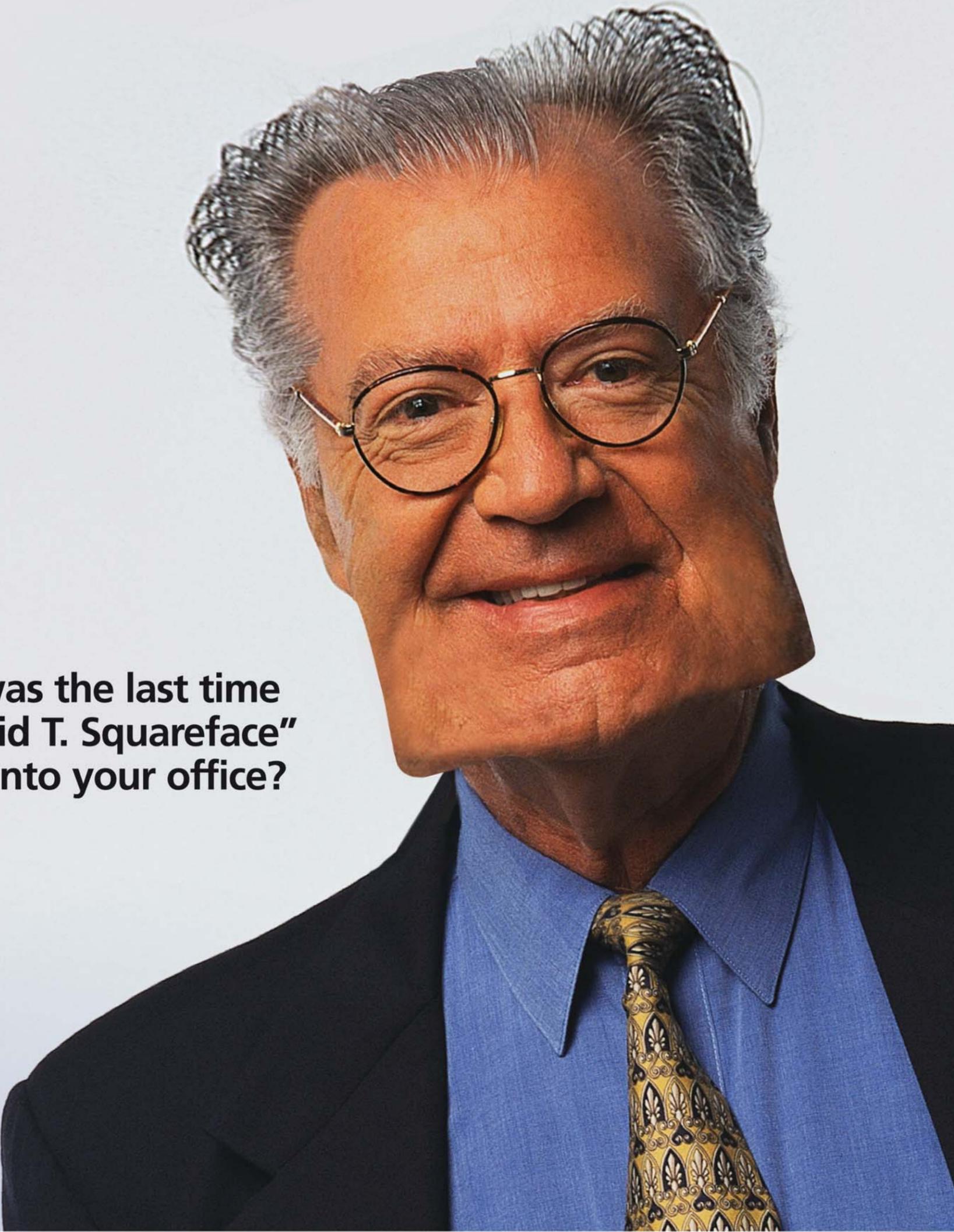


Left to right: (Back row) Dr. Michael Mansueto, Table Clinic Chair, and Dr. Michael Brooks (1st place). (Front row) Dr. Natalie Wong (2nd place); Lung Huynh (dental student); Dr. Nimet Adatia (3rd place).

SHARRY RESEARCH COMPETITION



Left to right: Dr. Leticia F Perezous (1st place), Dr. Wael N Garine (3rd place), and Dr. Clarisse CH Ng (2nd place).



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The New 2005 Board of Directors and Officers

At the recent Annual Session in Ottawa, Ontario CANADA, the ACP elected and confirmed our new Board of Directors and Officers for 2005.



*Dr. Patrick Lloyd
President*

Dr. Patrick Lloyd was confirmed as president of the College. Dr. Lloyd is the dean of the School of Dentistry and professor in the Division of Prosthodontics at the University of Minnesota. His professional interests are in the area of geriatric prosthodontics. He lectures on a variety of issues related to caring for the older adult, publishes articles on treatment strategies for the aged dental patient, and has a prosthodontic practice emphasizing the care of seniors.

President Lloyd has served the profession in a number of ways throughout his career including serving as editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Prosthodontics* for ten years, chairing the Department of Family Dentistry at the University of Iowa from 1996 to 2003, and working as the director of the Special Patient Care Clinic and the Wisconsin Geriatric Education Center (1992-1996) and National Coordinator for Geriatric Dental Programs for the Department of Veterans Affairs (1987-1992).

He earned his DDS (1978) and an MS in Dental Science (1989) from Marquette University School of Dentistry. In 1981 he earned his certificate in prosthodontics from the VA Medical Center in Milwaukee. Dr. Lloyd became a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1991.



*Dr. Bruce G. Valauri
President-Elect*

Dr. Bruce G. Valauri was confirmed president-elect of the College for 2005. This will be his fifth year serving on the ACP Board of Directors. Dr. Valauri is clinical assistant professor at New York University College of Dentistry and maintains a private practice in Manhattan. Previously, he served as Director of the Prosthodontic and Maxillofacial Prosthetic residency programs at the New York VAMC from 1989-2002.

Dr. Valauri graduated from the New York University College of Dentistry in 1983 and completed his general practice, prosthodontic and maxillofacial prosthetic residencies at the New York Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in 1987. Dr. Valauri is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Fellow of the ACP and the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics and member of numerous other organizations.



*Dr. Stephen Campbell
Vice-President*

Dr. Stephen Campbell was elected vice-president of the ACP. He is currently professor and head of the Department of Restorative Dentistry, as well as the director of the Comprehensive Dental Implant Center at the University of Illinois at Chicago. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics. Dr. Campbell has served the profession in many different capacities including most recently as chair of the ACP Annual Session committee. He has also served as president of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics and the International Association of Dental Research Prosthodontic section, as commission consultant for the Commission on Dental Accreditation, and



*First row, left to right: Drs. Lily Garcia, Bruce Valauri, Patrick Lloyd, Nancy Arbree, Stephen Campbell, David Pfeifer
Second row, left to right: Edward Cronin, Drs. Gary Goldstein, John Agar, Frank Tuminelli, Greg Guichet, Lyndon Cooper, Richard Seals, Charles Goodacre, David Felton*

as a member of the Executive Council for the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics. He is currently serving as secretary-treasurer for the Academy of Prosthodontics, and vice-president of the American Board of Prosthodontics. Dr. Campbell served as a prosthodontic program director for 17 years.



Dr. John Agar

Dr. John Agar was confirmed Annual Session Director. Dr. Agar received his BA from the University of Virginia, his DDS, from the Medical College of Virginia and an MA in higher education and human development from George Washington University. His prosthodontic specialty certificate is from William Beaumont Army Medical Center. He is retired from the U.S. Army in which he served as clinician, educator, consultant, and commander. Dr. Agar is currently director of Graduate Prosthodontics at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. He is a consultant to the ADA Council on Dental Accreditation and member of the ADA Commission's Review Committee on Prosthodontic Education. He serves as an examining member of the American Board of Prosthodontics. Dr. Agar's past service to the ACP includes chairman of the Education and Advancement committee and the Educational Services subcommittee, coordinator of mock Board

examinations, chair of the Board Preparation Course subcommittee and moderator for the Educators/Mentors Seminars subcommittee.



*Dr. Gary Goldstein
Forum Director*

Dr. Gary Goldstein was elected Forum Director. Dr. Goldstein is a professor in the Department of Prosthodontics at New York University College of Dentistry. A Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, he is also a distinguished practitioner in the National Academy of Practices, a member of the American Prosthodontic Society (president), a Fellow of the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics (past-president), the Academy of Prosthodontics (vice-president), the American College of Prosthodontists (past-president - NY Section), and the American College of Dentists. He is also past-president of Omega Chapter of Omicron Kappa Upsilon and a member of the Editorial Review Board of the *Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry*, the *International Journal of Prosthodontics* and *Clinical Oral Implants Research*. Dr. Goldstein has published numerous articles, lectured in the United States and abroad and maintains a private practice limited to prosthodontics in New York City. He is listed in *who's who in Executives and Professionals*, *Best Dentists in America* and *America's Best Dentists*.

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Dr. David Felton*

We greatly appreciate the service of these members and thank Dr. Ana Diaz-Arnold for her service as Annual Session Director.

Member News

Dr. Robert E. Herlands, AB, passed away on December 7, 2004. Dr. Herlands was a graduate of Columbia College (Phi Beta Kappa) and Columbia Dental School. Following a distinguished academic career at Columbia University School of Dental and Oral Surgery, he practiced in Stamford, CT. Dr. Herlands became a Diplomate of American Board of Prosthodontics in 1959. He was an ACP Life Fellow, a member of International and American Colleges of Dentists, and first president of the Connecticut Prosthodontic Society.

Dr. Judson C. Hickey, founding dean of the Medical College of Georgia School of Dentistry and interim president of MCG (1987-88), died October 24th at age 78. Dr. Hickey was recruited in 1966 to create the Medical College of Georgia's School of Dentistry. He had been assistant dean at the University of Kentucky School of Dentistry and was a noted researcher. The School obtained a national reputation of excellence within a few years of its founding, due to Dr. Hickey's recruitment of faculty with an advanced degree in a basic science as well as their dental degree and a sense of humanity. Dr. Hickey retired after two decades of service. Dr. Hickey graduated from Ohio State University College of Dentistry in 1950.



Dr. and Mrs. Harold Litvak

A major gift from **Dr. and Mrs. Harold Litvak** and their friends and colleagues will create the Harold and Sheila Litvak Prosthodontics Wing at NYUCD. The Litvak Prosthodontics Wing will be housed in the Graduate Center for Clinical Excellence (GCCE), which will consist of four full floors designed to enhance interaction and synergy among

the various specialties. In addition to prosthodontics, the GCCE will include endodontics, oral and

maxillofacial surgery, orthodontics, pediatric dentistry, and periodontics.

"The Harold and Sheik Litvak Prosthodontics Wing recognizes Dr. Litvak's over 35 years of professional excellence, leadership, and generosity" said Dean Alfano. Dr. Litvak is dedicated to post-doctoral education and has taught, influenced, and inspired legions of NYU prosthodontics specialty program graduates. Indeed, the name Harold Litvak is synonymous with excellence in prosthodontics. With the creation of this new facility, NYUCD has an enormous opportunity to further advance prosthodontics education, research, and patient care."

Dr. Litvak, a clinical professor of Prosthodontics and a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, is an international authority in prosthodontics and occlusion, past-president of the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics (GNYAP) and the Northeastern Gnathological Society and a recipient of the 2004 GNYAP Foundation Distinguished Lecturer Award and the 2001 American College of Prosthodontists President's Award, among many other honors.

— Contributed by NYUCD Global Health NEXUS

Dr. Thomas Taylor is the recent recipient of the American Dental Association Golden Apple Award for outstanding motivation and mentoring of dental students, graduate students, residents and faculty in academic careers.

Dr. Taylor initiated a graduate prosthodontic program at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine in 1993. He ensured initial and full accreditation prior to obtaining a director for the residency program. "Dr. Taylor has guided, mentored and supported my development as the graduate residency program director since he hired me from a military career. Tom has regularly scheduled sessions to discuss my goals, needs, the program, tenure and promotion. He regularly asks

about anything he can do to assist in any way. Though he cares deeply about this residency, Tom does not impose his authority as the department head and always ensures that I have autonomy in running the program. He is the reason I came to Connecticut but his unwavering support and mentoring are the primary reason I have stayed and truly enjoy what I do," says Dr. John Agar, University of Connecticut Graduate Prosthodontic Program Director.

Dr. Taylor passionately and persistently counsels and encourages residents in prosthodontics and other disciplines concerning the personal fulfillment and the merits of education as a full- or part-time career. He initiated a Straumann Company funded implant fellowship in 1997 to provide more opportunities for dental graduates and to help individuals determine if they truly want to go through a prosthodontic residency and to help young professionals during various periods of transition. And, Dr. Taylor mentors junior and senior faculty directly by his exemplary dedication, hard work and commitment to excellence.

Dr. Thomas D. Taylor exemplifies those characteristics and personal traits that the Golden Apple Award was conceived to recognize. He is a truly outstanding mentor and recruiter of exceptional academicians.



Dr. Victor Wallock (right), Hartford Dental Society president, presents the ADA Apple award to Dr. Tom Taylor.

— Contributed by Dr. John Agar, Graduate Prosthodontics Director

Section News

Georgia Section

Contributed by Dr. Maha M. El-Sayed and Ms. Katie Pyner, Georgia Tech Professional Education

The Georgia section will host its upcoming 4th Annual Spring Event in conjunction with the Georgia Institute of Technology Dental Program (DENTEC) on April 22nd, 2005 from 8:00 am to 5:45 pm at the Global Learning Conference Center on Georgia Tech campus in downtown Atlanta, Georgia.

The program, "Evolutions in Implant Dentistry, Revolutions in Ridge Augmentation," provides both detailed clarification of modern implant dentistry and explores a more in-depth look into the role of bone substitutes in guided bone regeneration around implants. A second course will also be offered concurrently for the dental staff which will leave them with a greater understanding of the needs of implants within

their practice, how to grow the existing business and be able to track the implant cases upon completion.

The impressive group of educators teaching at this seminar includes Dr. J. Daulton Keith, Jr., current director of the Charleston Implant Education Center, Dr. James Rivers, national and international lecturer and Dr. Zvi Schwartz, professor at the Hebrew University Hadassah Faculty of Dental Medicine in Jerusalem.

The Georgia section thanks its major sponsor, Zimmer Dental, for their support of this event. This annual event has proven to be very successful in the past three years. As such, early registration is highly recommended.

For additional information and/or to register, please visit www.pe.gatech.edu, select dental program (DENTEC) under "browse by subject," or contact Katie Pyner at (404) 385-3544 or katie.pyner@dlpe.gatech.edu.

New York

Contributed by Dr. Kenneth M. Schweitzer

The New York section convened for its fall meeting on October 12th, 2004 at the Union League Club in New York City. The meeting featured five poster presentations by prosthodontic graduate students from New York University, Columbia University and Montefiore Medical Center.

Dr. Elo Adibe, a second year post graduate



Left to Right: Drs. Kenneth M. Schweitzer, (ACP/NY president), Elo Adibe (1st place student poster, Montefiore Medical Center), Barry Goldman (director, Montefiore Medical Center P-G Prosthodontics).

prosthodontic resident training at Montefiore Hospital/Albert Einstein College of Medicine captured first prize in the student poster competition during the American College of

Prosthodontists New York Section fall meeting. Dr. Adibe's presentation was titled *Prosthetic Rehabilitation of Bisphosphonate Induced Maxillary Osteonecrosis*. Other presenters included Dr. Phuong Doan, New York University; Dr. David Moed and Dr. Igor Chikunov, New York University; Dr. Alejandro Rabanal, NYU; Dr. Candice Zemnick, Columbia University.

Additionally, Dr. Nancy Arbree addressed the section on the current status of the American College of Prosthodontists and Dr. Vincent Celenza lectured to the membership on Prosthetic Dilemmas (Addressing Problems, Pitfalls and Complications)



Left to right: Kenneth M. Schweitzer, (ACP/NY President), Nancy S. Arbree, (ACP President), Vincent Celenza (guest speaker).

Virginia Section

Contributed by Dr. David Beck

Members of the Virginia section met in Richmond, Virginia at Maggiano's Little Italy Restaurant on June 10, 2004 for their annual business meeting. In attendance were Drs. David Beck, David Burns, Gilbert Button, Michael Covaney, Don Crabtree, Debra Haselton, Karen McAndrew, John McCasland, Greg Wall, and John Ward. Drs. David Schleider, Maria Pappas, and Hadi Shehab, residents in the post-graduate prosthodontics program, each made an outstanding presentation to the group on topics related to prosthodontics. Drs. Crabtree and Ward were recognized for their years of service to the VCU/NCV School of Dentistry as they retire from their tenured faculty positions. These wonderful individuals were also honored for their years of service to the VAACP as they both step down from their officer positions. Newly elected officers Drs. Karen McAndrew, president; Greg Wall, vice-president; and Jeff Sotack, treasurer, are excited about membership and encourage all members to take an active role in VAACP.

Members of the Virginia section of the ACP, Drs. Gilbert Button, Bob Barnes, John Kim and Karen McAndrew, showed great support at the Mission of Mercy (MOM) project in Wise County, Virginia providing diagnostic and restorative care to the underserved population. The group also fabricated 23 sets of complete maxillary and mandibular dentures in addition to relining and repairing existing dentures.

The post-graduate prosthodontic evening seminar was supported by Drs. David Burns, John Rose, Harlan Schufeldt, Greg Wall, Jeff Sotack, Gilbert Button, John McCasland, Don Crabtree, John Ward, David Beck, and Michael Vocaney providing valuable literature and scientific discussion to the clinical practice of prosthodontics with the prosthodontic residents.

The officers have put together a series of ideas to promote the specialty of prosthodontics in the state of Virginia. Among the ideas are raising awareness and financial support for the J. Sergeant Reynolds Laboratory Technician program, expanding the role of prosthodontists in the MOM projects, and mounting an initiative to influence third-party payers to recognize prosthodontics as a specialty. On a state and national level, the group plans to support the American College of Prosthodontics Education Foundation and provide the members of the dental community with information and continuing education programs promoting the specialty of prosthodontics.

ACP Welcomes New and Changed Status Members

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Forum News

Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics

Contributed by Dr. Joseph Greenberg

The Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics held its 50th Annual Fall Scientific Meeting on December 3 – 4 at the Plaza Hotel in New York City. The Academy celebrated its 50th anniversary with an extraordinary scientific session, chaired by Dr. Bruce Valauri, and a festive gala banquet at the Rainbow Room overlooking Rockefeller Center, chaired by Dr. Burney Croll.

The Academy honored Dr. Thomas G. Reddy and Dr. George A. Zarb with 2004 Achievement Awards, Dr. Harold Litvak with the 2004 Distinguished Lecturer Award, and Dr. Tomas Albrektsson with the 2004 Jerome M. and Dorothy Schweitzer Research Award.



Left to right: Drs. Thomas Reddy, George Zarb, Harold Litvak and Tomas Albrektsson.

Officers of the GNYAP are president Dr. Kenneth A. Malament, past-president Dr. Dennis N. Morea, vice-president Dr. Gary S. Rogoff, president-elect Dr. Cosmo V. DeSteno, treasurer Dr. Jonathan Zamzok, secretary Dr. Kenneth M. Schweitzer, secretary-elect Dr. Frank J. Tuminelli and members-of-Council Dr. Charles Lennon and Dr. Burney Croll.



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The Academy's Spring Scientific Session will be held at the New York University School of Dentistry on June 3, 2005.

EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Dr. Bruce G. Valauri, DDS, FACP

Proud to be.....

The time has come for each and every one of us to celebrate this amazing profession we have chosen. We have been granted – by our specialty training – the opportunity to improve orofacial function and esthetic value for humanity. Share the years of education and experience with current and prospective patients. Don't be shy; this is the training that guided you toward providing the highest level of quality comprehensive care. Many of us have had the unfortunate experience of a longtime patient returning for a routine recall visit with a mouthful of porcelain veneers placed by a "specialist in cosmetic dentistry." With head in hand, we contemplate, "where did I go wrong?" We have only ourselves to blame. Often, even our established patients don't understand the clinical aspects of our specialty. Now it is the time to recapture all we have let pass through our holier-than-thou fingers.

No longer is it degrading or unprofessional to an individual, the specialty or the ACP to promote your unique talents to the public at large. We are the BEST care providers for our patients! Be Proud and Say it Loud!

Over the past few years, a variety of marketing resources — provided by the ACP and our corporate supporters — have helped us get out of the shade. Greg Guichet, Prosthodontic Practice and Patient Services Division Director, has done amazing things with Web search engine (e.g., Google) marketing to help make it possible for the public to gain access to ACP-member prosthodontists. It is working and working very effectively. A glowing example of how this is happening is the success of ACP member, Robert Bentz (see page 4 for his interview).

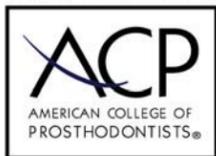
So, what can YOU and the ACP do to make it happen?

- Link your own Web site to the ACP *find-a-prosthodontist* site.
- Use the ACP *What is a Prosthodontist?* marketing tool kit.
- Personalize the ACP printed brochures of prosthodontic procedures.
- Become involved in ACP section and national activities and committees.
- Support the ACPEF Annual Appeal. Mission statement includes *public awareness*.

As prosthodontists, we maintain common goals as educators, innovators, leaders, researchers and motivators. All of these attributes set us apart from other clinicians. That doesn't necessarily make us better; rather it makes us distinctive.

The way each of us chooses to market our skills, of course, is a matter of personal opinion, taste and style. I believe we tend to attract the patients that complement our own personalities. Patients seek us out because we are the BEST clinician for that patient. After all, who would even consider care by the second best dentist?

I propose we step out of the shadows and bask in the sunshine of our success. Don't be afraid to express the passion and enthusiasm of this most rewarding profession.



Three Essential Duties

The American College of Prosthodontists Education Foundation (ACPEF) has three essential duties, all critical to the future of prosthodontics. It must continually grow the financial resources necessary to advance the specialty, use these resources to effect the greatest results, and finally, measure outcomes and assess ACP members' needs so its policies consistently reflect the current and emerging priorities of the prosthodontic community.

Other dental specialties, whose foundations have a longer history than our own, enjoy the support of more than 50% of their association's membership. They offer us a glimpse of the truly incredible reach the ACPEF will have when it achieves similar levels of support from ACP members. The ACPEF already boasts an impressive disbursement portfolio with the support of our corporate partners, but only 14% of ACP members. Just this year, the Foundation has doubled the size and scope of the ACP's successful PR campaign; provided all requesting ACP members free, formatted *Doesn't Your Smile Deserve a Specialist's Care* ads to promote private practices and the specialty; presented 32 scholarships to first-year post-graduate prosthodontic students to help defray some of the costs of becoming a prosthodontist; continued and expanded

the ACP's Internet search engine project that leads online searchers to the *find a prosthodontist* feature of the ACP's Web site, and helped the ACP underwrite its unprecedented pre-ADEA symposium, *Creating a New Vision for prosthodontic Education*. We have a great deal to be proud of and our opportunities to lift the specialty will increase with each new donor and each new contribution.

By contrast, the AAE Foundation annually supports more than a quarter of a million dollars in research enhancing the technical and biological understanding of the practice of endodontics.

They are also addressing the difficulty of sustaining faculty – a problem we share – by covering full tuition and providing a monthly stipend to post-graduate endodontic students in exchange for a five-year teaching commitment. Last year, the AAE Foundation gave \$75,000 to existing educators to help stem the faculty losses.

The America Academy of Periodontology Foundation is supported by almost half of the Academy's members and provides several fellowships, including a \$50,000 fellowship that provides educational and clinical experiences in implant techniques. The Perio Foundation also financed a video titled "Academic Careers in Dentistry," produced by ADEA. Impressively, individual members

of the AAP contributed more than \$240,000 on-site at their '03 Annual Session.

The orthodontists have a program called *A Case for the Future*, which asks each member to contribute an amount approximate to one treatment fee. As of October 1, they have received \$25.6 million in pledges through this campaign. Over the last 11 years, the orthodontists' foundation has distributed more than \$4 million in research and fellowship awards.

The future of the prosthodontic specialty is ours to design. When we have the resources, we can advance our knowledge base by funding the research that will expand our ability to do what prosthodontists do best: accurately diagnose the problem, direct the proper course of treatment, and determine the standard of care for the discipline. We can secure a solid corps of educators to recruit and train future generations of prosthodontists. We can continue reaching out to the public to increase awareness of the superior treatment prosthodontists provide for complex oral conditions. We can support humanitarian outreach to those whose need for prosthodontic care determines their very quality of life.

Please join us as we fuel a bold and exciting future for prosthodontics.

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Dr. Carl Driscoll Named New ABP Examiner



Dr. Carl Driscoll

The ACP and members of the Council for the American Board of Prosthodontics are pleased to announce Dr. Carl F. Driscoll as the newly-elected examining member of the American Board of Prosthodontics (ABP).

Dr. Carl F. Driscoll received his DMD from Tufts University in 1977.

He completed a general practice residency at Ft. Meade, MD in 1978 and received his prosthodontic training at Letterman Army Medical Center in San Francisco in 1986. In 1990, he completed a Fellowship in Maxillofacial Prosthetics at the National Naval Dental School in Bethesda, MD.

Dr. Driscoll currently serves as an associate professor at the University of Maryland Dental School and as director of the Prosthodontic Residency. He previously held the same position with the United States Army at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, DC from 1994-1997. Dr. Driscoll retired from the U.S. Army in 1997 with the rank of Colonel. Dr. Driscoll is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and a Fellow of the American

College of Prosthodontists. He has served as the chair of the American College of Prosthodontists' Board preparation course for the last five years and is a member of the American Dental Association's Commission on Dental Accreditation's Review Board and is a consultant to the ADA for accreditation in prosthodontics.

Dr. Driscoll is also a member of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics and the International Association for Dental Research. Dr. Driscoll has lectured nationally, internationally and has over forty publications to his credit. He will continue to serve the specialty of prosthodontics and serve as an exceptional member of the American Board of Prosthodontics.

The success of the election process is based on broad participation by the Diplomates of the American Board of Prosthodontics. The right to vote for the new examining member of the ABP is one of the key privileges of becoming a Diplomate of the specialty and there was a strong response from voting members.

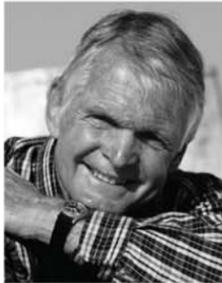
The newest option available to Diplomates in the 2004 ballot process included the digital video responses of ballot candidates that were available for review through the ACP Web site at www.prosthodontics.org/interviews. Each candidate interviewed provided a live, unscripted response to the lead comment "Tell us why you would like to be an

examining member of the American Board of Prosthodontics." The individual responses were preserved for review, precisely as recorded from the beginning of the lead question to the end of the Diplomate's answer. Many Diplomates took advantage of the option to review each of the ballot candidates' unscripted responses online. Based on the number of downloads made to each candidate's video, there were over 680 hits to this area of the ACP Web site.

The Council will continue to work on behalf of the specialty to search and help identify the best possible candidates for the American Board of Prosthodontics. The Council has an obligation to pursue new examiners for the American Board of Prosthodontics and remain attentive when considering the demographics of our specialty as represented in today's potential candidates aspiring to attain Diplomate status. These goals reflect the mission statement of the ACP and reflect the goals and objectives of the American Board of Prosthodontics Examiners.

2004 Council for the American Board of Prosthodontics: Dr. Lily T. Garcia, Chair; Dr. Stephen Cameron; Dr. Ronald Desjardins; Dr. Robert Gillis; Dr. Debra Haselton; Dr. Peter Johnson; Dr. Brien Lang; Dr. Carol Lefebvre; Dr. Harold Litvak; and Mr. Edward Cronin, Ex Officio.








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- 9-12 **International Association for Dental Research Annual Meeting**
Baltimore, MD
- 10-12 **Academy of Osseointegration Annual Meeting**
Orlando, FL
- 17-19 **American Dental Society of Anesthesiology Annual Session**
Charleston, SC
- 20-21 **American Association of Dental Examiners Forum on Exams**
Chicago, IL

April

- 4-9 **American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association Annual Meeting**
Myrtle Beach, SC
- 5-6 **National Student Lobby Day**
Washington, DC
- 6 **American Association of Endodontists Annual Session**
Dallas, TX
- 6-9 **Academy of Laser Dentistry Annual Conference**
New Orleans, LA
- 8 **American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry Esthetic & Restorative Update**
Lake Buena Vista, FL
- 14 **American Academy of Orofacial Pain and American Academy of Oral Medicine Joint Meeting**
Phoenix, AZ
- 16-20 **American Academy of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology Annual Conference**
Destin, FL
- 19-23 **American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry Annual Scientific Session**
Nashville, TN
- 22 **ACP Georgia Section Annual Meeting**
Atlanta, GA

May

- 4 **American Association of Public Health Dentistry & Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors Annual Conference**
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- 30 **American Academy of Orthodontists Annual Meeting**
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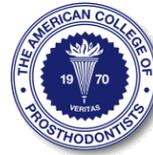
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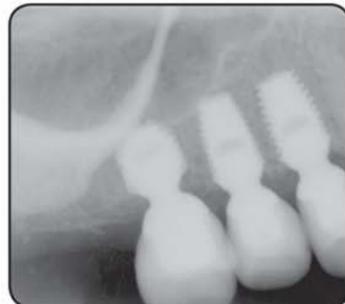
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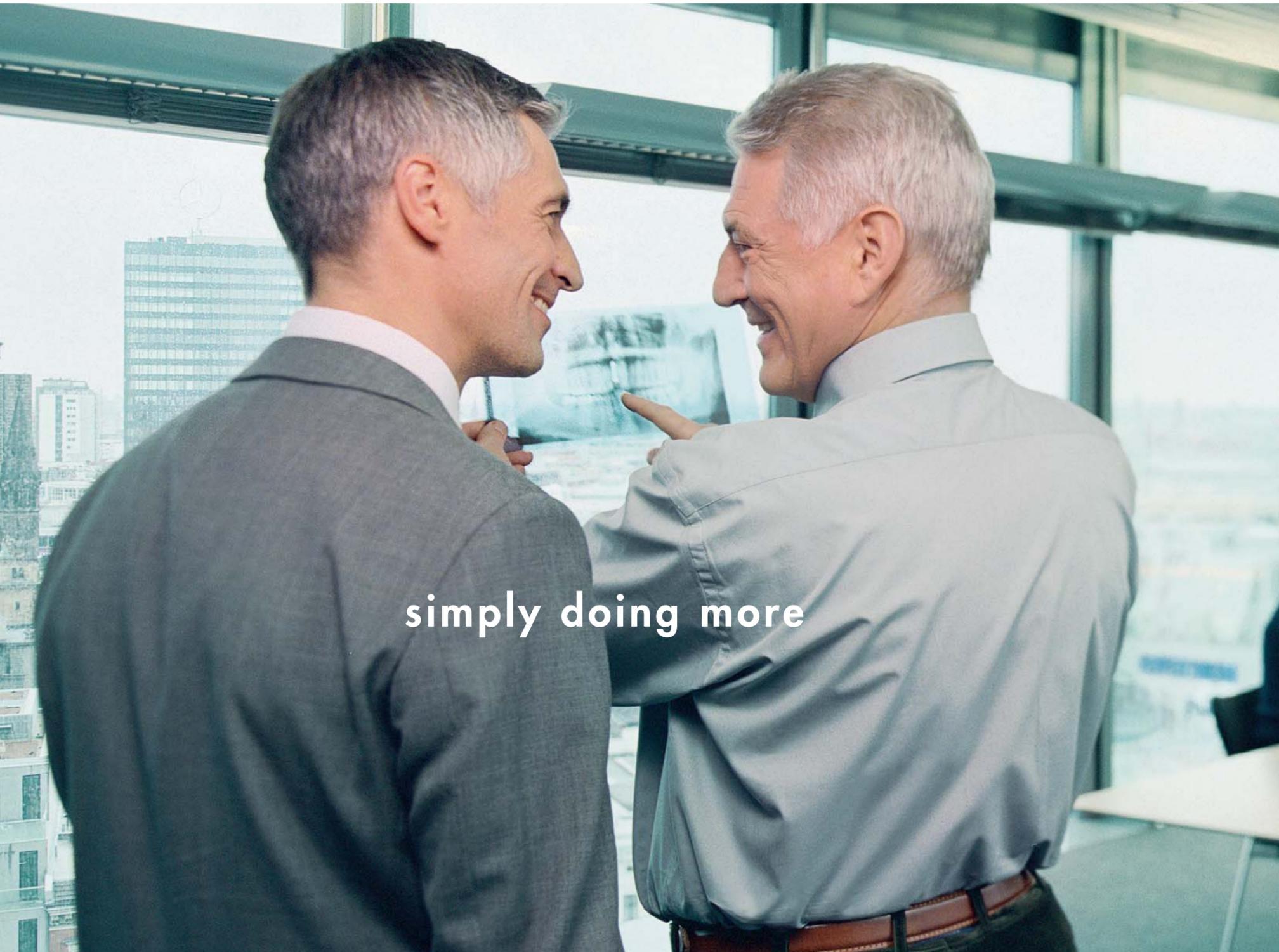


Post-operative radiograph of two all-ceramic crowns.

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