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Forum Meeting Exceeds Expectations

ore than twenty five people representing the American College of Prosthodontists and twelve other prosthodontic organizations gathered in Chicago the last weekend of July for the inaugural meeting of the Prosthodontic Forum.

This first meeting of the Prosthodontic Forum included discussions of such weighty issues as the undergraduate dental school curriculum in prosthodontics, denturism, managed care, and increasing communication by sharing information via the Internet.

The Prosthodontic Forum was established last year by the College after the dissolution of the Federation of Prosthodontic Organizations (FPO). The Forum consists of not-for-profit dental and non-dental organizations whose purpose and activities are directly related to prosthodontics.

Forum participant Dr. Jonathan Wiens commented, "The Forum represents an opportunity to exchange and support ideas for the benefit of the specialty, discipline, and dental technology. This can occur through open dialogue and a coalescent effort to disseminate knowledge for the betterment of prosthodontic education, research, and patient care."



Dr. Stephen Bergen addresses the members of the Prosthodontic Forum.

Finding its voice as a medium for information exchange, Forum participants indicated that they would like to receive information from the College on numerous issues that affect prosthodontics. It was decided that the College would solicit information from Forum organizations and serve as a clearinghouse to disseminate that information.

The College's Education and Advancement Committee is working on the undergraduate curriculum issue by developing a list of competencies which would include fixed, removable, implant, TMD, and maxillofacial.

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Symposium Attracts Researchers

he Prosthodontic Research Symposium, held in Chicago from June 17-20, 1995, attracted researchers from the United States, Canada, and Europe. The conference featured physicians on the faculty at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, as well as prosthodontic faculty.

The program was designed to teach evidence-based research techniques to the attendees. Participants were divided into five groups, and each group rotated through five distinct study units. Attendance was limited to 61 participants in order to keep a high ratio of faculty to students. The program was supported by numerous prosthodontic organizations as well as Nobelpharma.

Participants found the program to be stimulating and challenging.

"During the Symposium, we learned to recognize which studies were truly scientific, and which ones were a series of case reports.



Symposium participants Dr. Thomas J. Smithy from Marquette University School of Dentistry (I) and Dr. Carl J. Anders from Indiana University School of Dentistry (r).

The difficulty with examiner bias and measurement reliability were also explored to a level of healthy skepticism. 'Critical Appraisal' will extend beyond literature and research. Charismatic promoters and dental manufacturers, to remain credible, will need to support their

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A Time to Celebrate



Carl W. Schulter, DDS

et this year's
Annual Session be
one of celebration,
remembering the heritage
and accomplishments of
the past 25 years. Each
member, past and present,
can be thankful for the
existence of the College
and the specialty of
prosthodontics.

Dr. Jonathan Ferencz and his Annual Session Committee have put together a meeting worthy of the 25th Anniversary. The meeting will feature everything from entertaining social activities to the highest quality scientific presentations in prosthodontics. Dr. Per-Ingvar Brånemark will start the program as the keynote speaker followed by presentations on Implants, Dental Materials, Fixed Prosthodontics, Multidiscipline Teams in Dentistry, Esthetics, Occlusion and Practice Management and Computerization.

Another highlight of the meeting is the return of the Private Practice Workshop. This workshop will allow our members to participate in the development of criteria for managing and promoting a specialty practice in prosthodontics. It will be a very informative and progressive workshop for every private practitioner. The ACP Annual Session continues to grow in popularity and size each year and is the main meeting in prosthodontics.

One of the primary goals for my presidency was to begin taking steps toward unifying prosthodontics. We can all celebrate in the success of the inaugural meeting of the ACP Prosthodontic Forum. It was the first step of the unification process. The College would like to thank all twelve organizations that participated in the Forum for accepting the challenge of working to unify prosthodontics. During the Forum meeting, the member organizations agreed on a mission statement to work together to enhance education, research, dental laboratory techniques and clinical patient care in prosthodontics. Each organization added a new perspective when discussing the often difficult issues facing prosthodontics related to prosthodontic undergraduate education, denturism and managed care. A new feeling of trust was echoed throughout the room which will help to serve as the mainstay for future meetings. We invite all interested organizations to participate in the next meeting and share in the enthusiasm felt by all participants. The positive feelings of all the members were expressed by their desire to possibly meet twice next year to assure the success of the Forum. The Forum can be the catalyst we need in prosthodontics if we continue to trust each other and work together for prosthodontics.

Another historical and successful meeting occurred this summer, the ACP Prosthodontic Research Symposium. It was categorically a major hit for all who attended this symposium as a thought provoking and intellectually stimulating course. Research is basic to all of our clinical procedures and must be performed at the highest level if prosthodontics is to maintain its share in dental education and patient care. It is the intent

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of the Scientific Division of the College to continue the symposium by offering the same course to other researchers and/or to offer the next level of research education. The College is committed to helping prosthodontic research through these courses and the ACP Education Foundation by distributing scholarships to prosthodontic students on an annual basis.

This year the College is appreciative of the generous donation of \$30,000 by Procter & Gamble to the ACP Education Foundation for research in prosthodontics. This contribution will allow us to proceed with a number of new projects within the Foundation. Thank you Procter & Gamble. The College must continue to develop new avenues to increase contributions for research and education by other companies and individuals. In preparation for the endeavor, the Foundation is undergoing a major

revision to enhance its participation in fund raising, sponsoring research grants, prosthodontic scholarships and education programs.

We can also celebrate in the establishment of our headquarters office in Chicago. This has been a tremendous success in administrative efficiency and a focal point for our members to utilize as a resource for many reasons and as an

Let this year's Annual Session be one of celebration

information center for College programs and prosthodontic issues. David and the staff must be commended on a job well done. They are expanding the horizon of prosthodontics within the ADA and the dental community. In an effort to increase communication between the membership and the headquarters office, we will initiate an ACP Home Page on the Internet which will be accessible to members and later to other organizations and the general public. This will allow members to receive current data and information concerning Board meetings, House of Delegate materials and references, committee updates on projects and reports, news in education and research, and the general news within the Prosthodontic community. The home page will enable members to gather information, respond and recommend solutions to the headquarters office. So turn on your computers, the College will soon be at your fingertips.

Let this also be a time to reflect on our past accomplishments to celebrate our victories and the dedication of our past members. The future of the College is again in the hands of the membership. With the governance within the House of Delegates and with a strong and committed administrative structure, the College will continue to prosper for the next 25 years and beyond. It has been my pleasure to serve the College over the past year and to help guide it toward accomplishing many of its goals. There is much work yet to be completed so let's all be partners and get involved to make the future of the College as bright as possible. •

From the Executive Director



David Schwab, Ph.D.

n the 1980s fax machines proliferated around the world, delivering copies of documents to recipients in seconds. There are now 90 million fax machines in the world. One wonders, in retrospect, how it was possible to do business before

the advent of the fax machine.

In the 1990s, the latest technology is the Internet, an electronic breakthrough that may one day relegate fax machines to a footnote in the history of communications. Widespread access to the Internet has been touted as the greatest advance in communications since the invention of moveable type 500 years ago. Can the Internet live up to the hype? It will probably surpass the hype as people discover the ability to share just about anything with just about anyone.

Early next year, the College will establish a "home page" on the Internet, a sort of electronic table of contents that will allow users to access information. Some information will be targeted to members, such as lists of committee members and their contact information (including e-mail addresses), while other sections will be designed for the public.

The American Dental Association has already established its home page, and there are plans for

the ADA to list other dental organizations so that individuals can jump from the ADA home page to, say, the College home page. If consumers who need dental information can find the ADA, then they can find the College. The public relations possibilities are very far-reaching.

In the same manner, the College could provide links to members of the Prosthodontic Forum, so that organizations could share volumes of material. In this sense, each organization becomes a library that the other organizations can access. Moreover, information can be downloaded so that it is always accessible from one's computer.

Although the technology is exciting, maintaining a home page is as labor intensive as launching a new print publication. The information must be continually updated and checked for accuracy. Ultimately, a home page is not a technical problem but a communications challenge that requires continual management.

I am often asked whether "enough" members have access to the Internet to justify the resources involved with moving forward with a College home page. Part of the answer is that the Internet is not the wave of the future, it is the reality of the present. The College cannot afford to take a "wait and see" attitude while the rest of the world takes advantage of this technology.

The Chicago Tribune reported in August that the investment banking firm of Veronis, Suhler & Associates interviewed 1,000 corporate experts and predicted that by 1999, 22.5 million computer and modem-equipped households will be subscribing to an on-line service or Internet provider, compared to the current 8.5 million.

It is doubtful that the Internet will replace print publications. Radio did not replace newspapers, and television did not replace radio. The Internet is a powerful tool that will supplement more traditional media and greatly facilitate communication with the membership.

The College is poised to make full use of this medium. •

From the Headquarters Office...

he busy phones at the ACP headquarters office yield some of the same questions from ACP members. Below are some answers to the most commonly asked questions of the ACP staff.

- There is an ACP logo available for members to use on their letterhead and business cards. Call the ACP office at (312) 573-1260 for a copy of the guidelines for using the logo as well as a camera-ready copy of the logo.
- A new ACP Membership Directory will be sent to all members at the end of the year with the 1996 dues statements.
- To allow members the chance to use the College logo in their Yellow Pages Directory advertising, the College made arrangements with American Communications Network (ACN) several years ago. For more information, contact ACN directly at (714) 759-1666. Members should note that NO OTHER company has permission to solicit members or to reprint the College logo, and the College receives no money from this agreement. The fees charged for reprinting the College logo in the Yellow Pages are determined by ACN and not the College.
- Sample informed consent forms are available for members' review. To receive a copy, call the ACP office and notify the staff which procedure you would like a form for: TMD, implants, sleep apnea, or a general form covering several prosthodontic procedures. These forms are only samples, and the College recommends that any member consult with counsel before using any of the text of them. ◆

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egistration is underway for the 1995 American College of Prosthodontists Annual Session in Washington, DC, October 19-22, 1995. Commemorating the 25th anniversary of the founding of the College, this year's Annual Session promises to be the largest, most comprehensive meeting in the history of the College. According to Annual Session Division Director and Program Chair, Dr. Jonathan L. Ferencz, "The Annual Session has experience remarkable growth over the past few years with attendance increasing from 700 in Palm Springs in 1993 to nearly 1000 last year in New Orleans. Our goal in making the College Annual Session the most comprehensive, well attended meeting of the year in prosthodontics is being realized."

The 1995 meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City, which is conveniently situated close to National Airport and minutes from downtown Washington. The College will take over the entire hotel which has excellent guest rooms, meeting facilities and amenities.

Events begin on Thursday with the House of Delegates, Board Preparation Course, four limited attendance clinics and a private practice



seminar. The four half-day limited attendance clinics will feature Dr. Dennis Tarnow and Dr. Steven Lewis on implants, Dr. Ken Hilsen on sleep disorders and Pinhas Adar, Master Dental Technician on technical advances. The Private Practice Workshop will feature nationally renowned Dr. Roger Levin, who will focus on specialty practice marketing strategies. Register early for these events, since last year's limited attendance courses were sold out well in advance of the meeting.

Friday morning will feature opening ceremonies and the presentation of the ACP Distinguished Lecture Award to Dr. P.I. Brånemark for his contributions to prosthodontics. Dr. Brånemark's address promises to be a highlight of the meeting. Table clinics, under the direction of Dr. Nancy Arbree, will be held during lunch in the exhibition hall. With 50 table clinicians scheduled for the meeting and nearly 60 manufacturers on hand for the meeting, the exhibit space will be the site of considerable activity.

Friday afternoon will consist of two concurrent sessions, one on implants featuring Steven Lewis, Edwin Rosenberg, Abraham Ingber and Richard Lazarra, and the other on dental materials featuring Charles Cox, Kenneth Anusavice, Glen Johnson and Mark Friedman.

Saturday will get underway with the Sharry Research Competition and then two concurrent sessions. The first will be on fixed prosthodontics featuring Vincent Celenza, Carlo Marienello, Steven Campbell and Kenneth Malament. Occurring at the same time will be a session featuring multidisciplinary teams. The first team will present on TMD, with

Harold Litvak (prosthodontics), Milton Berkman (orthodontics) and Douglas Goldsmith (oral surgery). The second team will cover cranio-facial reconstruction and consists of Lawrence Brecht (maxillofacial prosthetics), Barry Grayson (orthodontics) and John Siebert (plastic surgery).

Saturday afternoon will also feature two concurrent sessions, one on esthetics with Shane White and Arnold Weisgold and another on occlusion and TMD with Charles McNeil and Ross Tallents. A new event will occur as well on Saturday. This will be a denture course, sponsored by Proctor and Gamble, which will be broadcast live from the ACP Annual Session via satellite to sites around the country (see related story on next page).

The scientific program concludes on Sunday morning with an exciting session on computers and dental informatics. It will feature Mark Hollis, a practice management consultant, Drs. Veronika Wagner and Werner Schneider, dental informatics experts from Sweden, and Bradley Walker, a software developer.

Interspersed in this comprehensive scientific program is a wonderful social program consisting of a Welcome to Washington Dinner on Wednesday, tours to Capitol Hill, excursions to Pentagon City, Colonial Virginia, the Holocaust Museum, Washington's Mansions and a tour featuring the legacy of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis. The Annual Awards Luncheon and President's Reception and Dinner Dance will both be held on Saturday.

Don't miss this exciting 25th Anniversary meeting. Register soon for what promises to be a milestone in College Annual Sessions. •

Register Now to Reserve Your Place

The registration drive for the Annual Session is in full swing. Complete registration materials were mailed out to all ACP members in mid-July. Those members sending in their completed registration forms with payment before October 6 will receive early-bird discounts on many ticketed events.

This year, ACP members will have a \$95 registration fee for the entire session. That registration fee is waived for student members of the ACP. They are invited to attend as guests of the College.

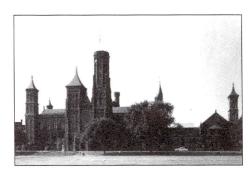
Besides the early-bird discounts, members are urged to register early to assure their place at the most popular events. The Limited Attendance Lectures have a history of being sold out before the Annual Session even begins. And exciting social activities like the guaranteed tickets into the Holocaust Memorial Museum are limited attendance events. You don't want to arrive in Washington only to find your choices "sold out."

How can members register for the 1995 Annual Session? There are two easy ways to register:

- Mail the completed registration form with a check (payable to ACP) or credit card information by October 6 to ACP Dept. 77-5198 Chicago, IL 60678-5198.
- 2 Fax the completed registration form with credit card information by October 16 to (312) 573-1257.

After the above deadlines, all registrations must be done on-site at the Annual Session in Washington. On-site registration will begin Wednesday, October 18 outside the Exhibit Hall at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City.

Members are also urged to make their hotel reservations as soon as possible. The Hyatt Regency Crystal City will be the host hotel for



The Smithsonian Institution

the 1995 Annual Session, however the room block is only reserved until September 16. Rooms may still be available after that date. Call the hotel at (703) 418-1234 or (800) 228-9000 for specific information.

See you in the Capital! *

Sharry Finalists Named

he Research Committee of the American College of Prosthodontists has recently completed its selection of the six semifinalists for the 1995 John J. Sharry Prosthodontic Research Competition. The six semi-finalists will submit manuscripts to the Committee using the *Journal of Prosthodontics* format. After careful review, three finalists will be selected to present their research at the Annual Session in Washington, D.C. The six semi-finalists are:

Dr. Gerald T. Grant

Naval Dental School
"Fabrication of failure behavior of an all-ceramic FPD test analog"
Mentor: Dr. J. Robert Kelly

Dr. Lia Kosmidou

University of North Carolina School of Dentistry "Estrogen-responsive hsp27 expression in rat calvarial osteoblasts"

Dr. Z. Vance Morgan

University of North Carolina School of Dentistry

"Clinical effectiveness of an implant patient cohort treated between 1987-1991" Mentor: Dr. Mark S. Scurria

Dr. Vicki C. Petropoulos

Temple University School of Dentistry "Comparison of retention and release periods for implant overdenture attachments" Mentor: Dr. Eleni Kousvelari

Dr. Patrick J. Steiner

Naval Dental School

"Compatibility of ceramic-ceramic systems" Mentor: Dr. J. Robert Kelley

Paula K. Yliheikkila

University of North Carolina School of Dentistry "Bone sialoprotein expression on implant surfaces by primary cultured bovine mandibular osteoblasts"

Mentor: Dr. Lyndon F. Cooper +



The Jefferson Memorial

Satellite Seminar Slated

special satellite course on complete dentures will be offered during the 1995 Annual Session on Saturday, October 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The course will feature Dr. Nancy S. Arbree and Dr. Norman J. Hammer.

Topics expected to be included are diagnosis, treatment planning, and patient management; impressions and occlusal relations; tooth selection, occlusion, and esthetics; as well as insertion, adaptation, recall and patient satisfaction.

The complete denture course is sponsored by Procter & Gamble. It will be broadcast live to approximately ten sites across the nation. At each site, there will be between 100-200 invited dentists.

Members of the live audience will be encouraged to ask questions, and the speakers will also field questions called in from the broadcast sites.

After the course, Procter & Gamble will underwrite the cost of reproducing videotapes, which will be made available at no cost to College members, dentists who wish to refer complete denture patients to members, and other interested dentists.

The videotape will also include a slide indicating the date of upcoming meetings of the College.

"We are very pleased to be working in partnership with Procter & Gamble," said ACP Executive Director Dr. David Schwab. "This program is an excellent method for the College to disseminate quality continuing dental education and publicize the Annual Session."

Members interested in registering for this course will find a check-off box for it on the Annual Session registration form. ◆

Commercial Exhibition

Mentor: Dr. Lyndon F. Cooper

The 1995 Annual Session will have a 60-booth exhibit hall where attendees can explore the latest in dental products and services. Located in the Hyatt Regency Crystal City, the Exhibit Hall will be open on Friday and Saturday. The following have contracted for exhibit space at the 1995 Annual Session as of press time:

ABI Professional Publications Academy of Osseointegration American Biodental Corporation

Astra Tech, Inc.

Bego

Bicon Dental Implants

Brasseler USA

Calcitek, A Company of Sulzermedica

Columbia Scientific, Inc.

Den Mat

Dental Arts Laboratories, Inc.

Dental Ceramics, Inc.

Dental Technicians Supply Co., Inc.

Dentco Research & Dev Corp.

Dentsply Implant

Designs for Vision, Inc.

Duro-Test Corporation

General Scientific Corporation HealthCare Communications, Inc.

Healthfirst Corporation

Hermanson Dental

Higa Manufacturing Ltd. Implant Innovations, Inc.

Insight Imaging Systems, Inc.

Interpore International

Ivoclar Williams

J. Morita USA, Inc.

Jaslow Dental Labs

Justi Products

KaVo EWL

Laclede Professional Products, Inc.

Lifecore Biomedical, Inc.

New Image Industries, Inc.

Nobelpharma USA, Inc.

Omnii International

Orascoptic Research, Inc.

Paul Banditt, Inc.

Preat Corporation

Premier/Espe America

Pro-Dentec

Procter & Gamble

ProTech Professional Products, Inc.

Quintessence Publishing Co., Inc

Roydent Dental Products

Schick Technologies, Inc.

Standard Biological, Inc.

Steri-Oss

The Straumann Company

Teledyne Water Pik

Valley Dental Arts, Inc.

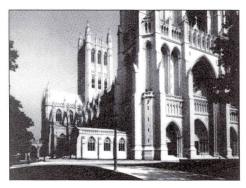
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The Washington National Cathedral

House of Delegates Update

The College finds time to take care of its business during the Annual Session with one of the most important meetings of the year — the House of Delegates.

This year's meeting will occur Thursday, October 19. Each Section of the College sends several delegates to the meeting to represent its membership. The number of delegates allowed per section is determined by the number of members in that section.

The delegates this year will discuss and vote on a variety of resolutions. By mid-August, the following resolutions had been submitted:

- Approval of the proposed 1996 ACP budget
- Approval of the Nominating Committee's slate of candidates for ACP Officer positions
- A requirement that all members of the College be members of a Section
- A proposal that College and Section dues be collected together
- A requirement that only one Section be permitted in each state
- Changes to the requirements for the Life Fellows/Members category of membership
- Changes to the requirements for Canadian members
- Several proposals brought forth from the recent meeting of the Prosthodontic Forum ◆

ADA Conference Addresses Managed Care

n an effort to outline how managed care can and will work with the dental industry, the American Dental Association (ADA) recently sponsored the program "Managed Care in Dentistry: A Question of Risks, Benefits, and Values" this past July in Chicago. The College was represented by Dr. Ken Hilsen, Dr. M. Nader Sharifi and David Schwab, ACP Executive Director.

This meeting was well attended with almost 500 people in the audience. The diverse group of registrants included educators, insurance executives, legislators, and dental auxiliaries in addition to the large number of dentists. Discussion Panels were presented on legal, ethical, legislative, and regulatory issues in managed care. One presentation educated the audience on the alternative models to the typical Preferred Provider Organization.

As specialists, prosthodontists have their own concerns about how to operate in a managed care system. It was noted during the program that some medical programs are providing a pool of money for specialty referrals, both in and out of their network. If this pool of money is not utilized during the course of a year by patients seeking specialty care then this money is dispersed to the participating doctors who make the referrals. This may cause participating doctors to decide to limit their referrals and treat every patient themselves. Thus the interests of prosthodontists is not limited to being recognized by these programs, but also to the manner in which these programs are set-up.

The limitation of utilization review and specialty referral was also discussed. Some plans have the ability to refuse referral to a specialty for treatment that the plan reviewer has deemed unnecessary. Periodontal therapy was used as an example. If this procedure and referral is refused and the referring dentist believes that the patient requires this treatment, there are two issues to address. First, the dentist is ethically and morally bound to make the referral for treatment based upon his or her personal standard of care. This aspect has been upheld in a court of law. The second and disconcerting aspect of this situation is that many programs have legally written into their contracts with their participating dentists that this referral and its necessary treatment subsequently must be paid by the referring dentist.

Utilization review within managed care can effect the type of treatment available to the patients in that program. Certain treatments carry with them automatic denials, automatic approvals, or immediate requests for further information. Potential improvements include: 1. identify the dentist reviewer, 2. offer a panel of consultants, 3. open the door to reconsiderations, and 4. have specialists be reviewed by specialists.

Delta Dental Plan of Minnesota has undertaken a three year study to evaluate what type of benefit design would best manage costs over the long term. In this study, an experimental group of patients are being evaluated and treatment planned for comprehensive care. The control group receives indemnity type of insurance and these patients seek care from their regular dentists. The thought is that the initial upfront cost increase of comprehensive care will be offset over the long term when compared to an isolated tooth approach to care. Prosthodontists would have to agree with this anticipated conclusion.

Some conclusions from this meeting will probably interest prosthodontists thinking about participating in the managed care arena. The dentist who would most benefit from participating in managed care programs is one who has fixed expenses and open chairtime. Any dentist who has a fee schedule which is very similar to, or below that of a managed care program may be interested in such a program. Every contract is different with various opportunities for the managed care program to change their fees at any given time, terminate the contract for utilization outside the "norm" of that program, and those points already discussed regarding referrals. The ADA strongly recommends that each contract be fully evaluated and understood prior to being signed. The ADA offers a service of support for review of these plans. They can inform dentists if a particular plan has received numerous complaints.

High quality comprehensive care generally associated with prosthodontists will prevail in the managed care climate of dentistry today. It appears as though the impact of managed care will be greater in the general practitioner arena than in the specialty of prosthodontics.

If you have further questions, comments, or concerns feel free to contact Dr. M. Nader Sharifi at 55 East Washington, Suite 3303, Chicago, IL 60602. ◆

Schneider New Section Editor



Dr. Robert L. Schneider

The Editorial Board of the Journal of Prosthodontics has announced the selection of Dr. Robert L. Schneider, Associate Professor in the Department of Prosthodontics, University of Iowa College of Dentistry, as

the Techniques and Technology Section Editor for the Journal. As a dental technician prior to attending dental school at the University of Southern California, Dr. Schneider brings over twenty-five years of dental technology experience to the position.

"This was a difficult decision for our Board" said Dr. Patrick M. Lloyd, Editor-in-Chief of the *JOP*. "We received applications from several extremely qualified candidates. It was only after an extensive evaluation by our entire Board that we were able to make a selection."

A diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Dr. Schneider completed his prosthodontic training at the University of Iowa, earning his M.S. degree in 1983. After six years of private practice in Coralville, Iowa, he accepted the Clinical Directorship of the Oral and Maxillofacial Implant Center at his alma mater.

Dr. Schneider's publications cover a wide variety of topics in dental technology and appear in both prosthodontic and dental laboratory publications. He has a close working relationship with the National Association of Dental Laboratories and the National Board for Certification for Dental Laboratories. His involvement on a national level in issues pertaining to prosthodontic technology is further evident by serving the College as the Chair of the Laboratory Services Committee.

JOP Seeks Section Editor

Applications are being accepted for the position of Clinical Science Section Editor of the *Journal of Prosthodontics*. Position responsibilities include the management and coordination of the peer-review of clinical science manuscripts submitted to the *Journal*.

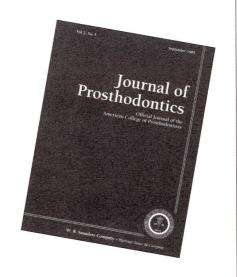
"This has been one of our most active sections," said Dr. Patrick M. Lloyd, Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Prosthodontics*. "Dr. David Eggleston has been the editor of our Clinical Science section since the inception of the *Journal*. Through his contributions, this has grown to be one of our readers most appreciated sections."

"We are conducting a national search for a new Section Editor," continued Dr. Lloyd, "The individual selected for the position on the Editorial Board will play a major role in the future direction of the *Journal*."

Applicants must be Diplomates of the American Board of Prosthodontics. A strong background in clinical prosthodontics is required. Editorial experience with other dental/prosthodontic journals is desired.

Applicants should include: a letter detailing specialty training and clinical practice background; a curriculum vitae; and copies of publications in peer reviewed journals that evidence relevant knowledge and experience.

Section editors receive an honorary stipend, individualized correspondence materials, and reimbursement for related expenses.



Deadline for applications is September 29, 1995. Selection will be made by October 12th. Questions regarding position qualifications or the application/selection process should be directed to the office of the Editor at (414) 288-1413.

Application materials should be sent to: Patrick M. Lloyd, DDS, MS Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Prosthodontics* 160 Academic Support Facility P.O. Box 1881 Marquette University Milwaukee, WI 53233-1881

JOP Initiates New Section: Techniques & Technology

The Journal of Prosthodontics has recently initiated a new section entitled "Techniques & Technology." Manuscripts that are brief reports on clinical or laboratory techniques in prosthodontics are presently being accepted for this new section. Each manuscript should clearly state the objective of the technique, describe in detail the procedures involved, and make comparison to alternative techniques. References should be contained in the article, in an appropriate number, to document claims made by the author(s) advocating the proposed technique. Each manuscript should be supported by high quality, descriptive illustrations (not to exceed a total of eight). Authors who have developed new clinical techniques or unique laboratory procedures used in prosthodontics are encouraged to share their information with our readers and submit manuscripts for publication consideration.

The American Board of Prosthodontics

Landesman Named Board President



Dr. Howard M. Landesman

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Landesman
was elected
President of the
American Board of
Prosthodontics during its
June meeting in Dallas,
Texas. He replaces Dr.
Ronald D. Woody. Dr.
Robert S. Staffanou was
elected Vice-President,
replacing Dr. Landesman

and Dr. Edward J. Plekavich was elected Secretary-Treasurer, replacing Dr. Staffanou.

Dr. Landesman has been Dean and holder of the G. Donald and Marian James Montgomery professor of Dentistry at the University of Southern California School of Dentistry in Los Angeles since 1991. He received his DDS in 1962 and prosthodontic training in 1973 both from USC and has been on the faculty there since 1968. He is an active member of numerous prosthodontic organizations including the ACP and the Academy of Prosthodontics. ◆

Future Examination Dates

The 1996 Parts 1 and/or 2 examinations will be offered February 18-21, 1996 in Chicago, IL, at the ADA Building. Parts 2-5 will be offered June 16-21, 1996 in Los Angeles, CA. The exact Los Angeles site has not been finalized. ◆

The examination for the American Board

of Prosthodontics Parts 2-5 was held in Dallas, Texas during the third week in June 1995. As a result, seventeen candidates were awarded Diplomate status by the ABP and are as follows:

Dr. John J. Boyle, Jr.

Dr. Rene A. Brignoni

Dr. David S. Clary

Dr. Timothy M. Dowd

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These individuals are to be commended for their accomplishments. ◆

Renewal Fees

The American Board of Prosthodontics renewal fees will be sent to all Diplomates in November 1995. The Board desires payment of the fee prior to January 1, 1996. ◆

Revised Guidelines

A committee of the Board is in the process of making a final revision of the Board's printed guidelines. Two existing publications, Guidelines for the Certifying Examination and The Examination and Criteria Guide for the Certification Process will be combined into a single book.

This new edition will be available after October 1, 1995 and will be sent out to all Board applicants and program directors. Other printed materials will be available to any individual requesting general information about the ABP. •

Continued Proficiency (Recertification)

A continued proficiency document will be mailed to all active Diplomates in the near future. In 1996, an eight-year time limited certificate will be issued to each active Diplomate. The members of the Board encourage each Diplomate to become familiar with the contents of that document. •

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Sections

Pennsylvania Section

The Pennsylvania Section of the American College of Prosthodontists held its Fourteenth Annual Meeting at Toftrees Resort in State College, PA, on June 9 and 10, 1995

The scientific program involved topics such as electronic anesthesia by Craig Gimbel, DDS; conservative prosthodontics by John W. Harrison, DMD; and implant esthetics by Ruby Baird, CDT. Outgoing President Dr. Jack Gruendel and new President George Carr presided. Next year's meeting is scheduled at the same location, and will take place on June 7 and 8, 1996. The officers and delegates for the 1995-1996 year are as follows:

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East Georgia Section

In May 1995, the East Georgia Section of the American College of Prosthodontists conducted its Spring Meeting. Three residents from the Medical College of Georgia and the U.S. Army Dental Activity presented their research projects. Dr. Michael R. Craddock presented, "Evaluating the existence of immediate mandibular lateral translation;" Dr. Igor J. Peson, "Biomechanical considerations of the restoration of the implant-natural tooth fixed partial denture;" and Dr. Robert L. Rosenheimer, "The effects of thread removal on the shear strength of endosteal dental implants."

New officers were also elected at this meeting and are as follows:

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1996 IADR Arthur R. Frechette Prosthodontic Research Award Competition

Applications are requested for the 1996
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Prosthodontics. The Award recognizes original
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by the Prosthodontic Research Group of the
IADR and is supported by Whip Mix
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research are eligible for the Frechette if they
have been the primary author of no more than
three articles published in refereed dental journals. The award carries a cash prize of \$1,000.

Research submitted for the IADR meeting in San Francisco is eligible for consideration for the Frechette provided it has not been published elsewhere or will be under consideration for another award. Abstracts must be submitted to the Prosthodontic group of the IADR by their usual deadline (September 22nd 1995) through the usual IADR procedures and must be clearly labeled as a Frechette New Investigator Award Candidate. Concurrently,

four copies of the abstract together with a letter stating that the paper represents original research conducted by you, that you have not previously published more than three firstauthor dental articles, and that the research is not under consideration elsewhere should be submitted to:

Dr. Stephen Rosenstiel Section of Restorative and Prosthetic Dentistry The Ohio State University College of Dentistry 305 West 12th Avenue Columbus, Ohio 43210

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Members in the News

Dr. James Smith Runs for ADA Speaker



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ACP Member
James F. Smith, DDS,
JD, FACP is running
for Speaker of the
House of the American
Dental Association
(ADA). A member of
the ADA for 35 years
and a member of ACP
for almost 20 years, Dr.
Smith is a board certified prosthodontist who

practices prosthodontics three days a week at his practice in Omaha, Nebraska. The rest of his week is spent practicing as an attorney.

Dr. Smith was the Speaker of the House of the Nebraska Dental Association and is currently the President-Elect of that organization. A dentist for more than 30 years, Dr. Smith has served as part-time faculty at Creighton University Dental School, UCLA Dental School, and has spent over 20 years in private practice.

As for what he hopes to achieve, Dr. Smith says, "My goal is to promote a change in the ADA Bylaws to have the Speaker become an official member of the Board of Trustees. This, hopefully, would allow better dialogue between the House and the Board. As a busy dentist/ attorney, I am the perfect candidate to fill that role."

The election will be held October 10, during the 1995 ADA Annual Session in Las Vegas. Dr. Smith asks ACP members to contact their ADA delegates and urge them to vote for him.

Dr. Gary R. Goldstein Named as Director

Dr. Gary R. Goldstein has been named director of the New York University College of Dentistry Advanced Education Program in Prosthodontics. He is professor of Restorative and Prosthodontics Sciences in the Division of Restoration and Prosthodontic Sciences at NYU.

Dr. Goldstein is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, the author of over 30 scientific articles, and a fellow of the American College of Prosthodontics.

Frechette Award Winner Named



Dr. Fonda G. Robinson

The Frechette Award winner for 1995 is Dr. Fonda G. Robinson of the Medical College of Georgia. This award is presented to the winner of the annual research competition for new investigators sponsored by the

Prosthodontic Research Group of the International Association for Dental Research. Her research was entitled "P. gingivalis endotoxin affinity for dental ceramics."

Dr. Robinson previously won first prize for the Tylman Research Award sponsored by the Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics.

Forum Meeting Exceeds Expectations

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The committee plans to work cooperatively with the American Association of Dental Schools to develop these competencies.

The College indicated that members of the Forum would be kept informed of the committee's progress on a regular basis, and that the committee strongly welcomed input throughout the process.

Many issues sparked lively discussions that the participants found useful. Mr. Shel Marcus, Director of the Central Office of the American Equilibration Society, says, "It was beneficial and important for the various interested parties to get together to discuss some common concerns. Our president found it very informative. As an administrator, I can say that this meeting will initiate some areas of discussion at our next Board of Directors meeting that would not have otherwise been raised. That's a positive impact from this first meeting."

The minutes of the Forum meeting were sent to all participants along with a resource book. According to ACP Executive Director Dr. David Schwab, this process was unique and valuable. "Usually agenda books are sent out before a meeting," Dr. Schwab said. "Since this was the first Forum meeting, however, it was difficult to predict which materials the partici-



Thirteen prosthodontic organizations meet during the Prosthodontic Forum.

pants would request. During the meeting, we made a list of requested items and then forwarded them to the participants as a follow up."

The following organizations participated in the meeting: Academy of Prosthodontics; American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics; American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry; American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics; American Equilibration Society; Association of Prosthodontists of Canada; Certified Dental Laboratories; Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontists; National Board for Certification, CDL; National Association of Dental Laboratories; Northeastern Gnathological Society; Pacific Coast Society of Prosthodontists.

Symposium Attracts Researchers

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claims with scientific data and discard those with a weak foundation. The end result will be improvement in the way that literature is written, the way research is performed, and the manner in which health care is delivered," noted Dr. Jonathan Wiens.



The faculty for the research symposium: back: Jack Preston, Gary R. Goldstein, Glen P. McGivney, David A. Felton, James Anderson front: Brien R. Lang, George A. Zarb, Rhonda F. Jacob, Ray Gilbert, Alan B. Carr, Patrick M. Lloyd

The faculty were also pleased with the enthusiasm of the participants. According to Dr. Patrick Lloyd, Symposium faculty member, "The entire spectrum of our discipline was represented at the Symposium, undergraduate educators, program directors, clinicians and scientists. Each was there to be part of a movement that will shape our future, enhance our credibility and develop a solid, scientifically-based foundation for our specialty."

The College is investigating the possibility of hosting another Prosthodontic Research Symposium next year, as participants expressed a strong desire to have colleagues from their respective institutions go through the program to eventually provide a "critical mass" of trained researchers.

Dr. Carl W. Schulter, ACP President, expressed his gratitude to the faculty and participants. "This conference is an excellent example of the progress that can be made when so many talented people work together for the good of prosthodontics. On behalf of the



Dr. Dennis J. Weir (r) meets with Dr. David Felton at the Research Symposium.

College, I wish to thank all those who made the program a success, and I challenge them to return next year with their colleagues so that the quality of prosthodontic research can continue to improve."

The College expects to announce plans for a 1996 Symposium by the end of this year. ◆

Meetings and Conferences Calendar

October 7-10, 1995 American Dental Association, Las Vegas, Nevada Contact: ADA 211 E. Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611 October 16-18, 1995 **American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics** Annual Meeting, Hyatt Regency Crystal City Contact: Jonathan Wiens 6177 Orchard Lake Road West Bloomfield, MI 48322-2389 (810) 932-5191 October 19-22, 1995 American College of Prosthodontists Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. Contact: Linda Wallenborn 1777 NE Loop 410 Suite 600, San Antonio, TX 78217 (210) 841-5738 February 23-24, 1996 American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics Contact: Dr. Robert Staffanou Secretary, AAFP 1930 Sea Way, P.O. Box 1409 Bodega Bay, CA 94923 February 24-25, 1996 American Prosthodontic Society, Chicago, IL Contact: APS 919 N. Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611 February 24-25, 1996 American Academy of Restorative Dentistry, Chicago, IL Contact: Dr. William M. Eiche 404 E. 4th Street, P.O. Box 247 Marshfield, WI 55449 Academy of Osseointegration, New York, New York February 29-Contact: Academy of Osseointegration March 2, 1996 401 N. Michigan Chicago, IL 60611 March 13-17, 1996 American Association for Dental Research International Association for Dental Research, San Francisco, CA Contact: AADR/IADR 1111 14th Street NW, Suite 1000 Washington, DC 20005 March 16-19, 1996 American Association of Dental Schools, San Francisco, CA Contact: AADS 1625 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20036 May 1-5, 1996 American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry, San Diego, CA Contact: AACD 270 Corporate Drive Madison, WI 53714 May 3-8, 1996 Academy of Prosthodontics, Newport Beach, CA Contact: Dr. Edward J. Plekavich 4830 V St., N.W.

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Annual Scientific Sessions of Dental Specialty Organizations

September 20-23, 1995

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October 4-6, 1995

American Association of Public Health Dentistry Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV. Contact: Helen Doherty, 10619 Jousting Lane, Richmond, VA 23235 (804) 272-8344

October 19-22, 1995

American College of Prosthodontists Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. Contact: Linda Wallenborn, 1777 NE Loop 410, Suite 600, San Antonio, TX 78217 (210) 841-5738

April 24-28, 1996

American Association of Endodontists Annual Session, Loews Anatole Hotel, Dallas, Texas. Contact: AAE, 211 E. Chicago Avenue, Suite 1501, Chicago, IL 60611 (312) 266-7255

April 27-May 1, 1996

Annual Session of the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, Hyatt Regency, Baltimore, Maryland. Contact: AAOP, 44 Verdin Drive, New York City, NY 10956 (914) 639-1166

May 11-15, 1996

96th Annual Session of the American Association of Orthodontists, Denver, CO. Contact: AAO at (314) 993-1700

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