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Dr. Robert Schneider

Dr. Robert Schneider, Chair of the ACP Laboratory Committee, was recently elected as Trustee of the new "consolidated" National Board for Certification (NBC). His term will be for three years and his position is as the ACP representative on the Board replacing Dr. Terry Eggleston who previously served.

The NBC administers both the Certified Dental Technician and the Certified Dental Laboratory programs. The Board is composed of an ACP nominee, ADA nominee, a dental technology educator, a CDT elected by an at-large ballot of all CDTs and five Trustees nominated and elected by the NADL's Executive Council. The Board administers Certification programs within the dental laboratory industry and also administers continuing education credits for CDTs. Additionally, the Board sets and reviews standards, issues certification to qualifying applicants, monitors certificatees' continuing compliance with established standards, oversees administration of their programs and works to enhance recognition of certification for dental technicians and dental laboratories.

There are currently about 8,500 technicians certified. About 700 participate in the certification testing per year with about 350-400 achieving certified status. In addition to the ACP endorsement, the NBC holds official recognition from the ADA, and also has full cooperation and support of the military dental services. The military dental services encourage technician certification with the Navy and Air Force hosting a number of CDT examinations in their facilities.

According to Dr. Schneider, "The participation of the ACP on the Board will help promote greater recognition of the importance of dental technology certification and continuing education. Additionally, with the extremely close relationship between technicians and prosthodontists, the ACP is a leader in establishing and leading the way in enhancing communications between the two groups. We are all striving to achieve the same result - excellence in health care delivery to the patient - which we cannot achieve without interaction and communication from each other." ♦

ACP Regional Seminars Begin in April

This Spring the ACP is offering two implant prosthodontic seminars designed to strengthen members' practices.

"Marketing Implant Prosthodontics: A Winning Program for Prosthodontists" featuring Ms. Lori Misch will be held on April 4, 1997. The program is being held in conjunction with the California Section of ACP and will be held in Los Angeles, California, at the LA Airport Hilton & Towers.

The program will teach how to build a successful implant practice. Ms. Misch will also show how to create a loyal referral base while also teaching how to educate, activate, and motivate an office referral team. A segment of the seminar will be directed to auxiliary office staff to teach how to incorporate marketing systems into both practice and referral relationships and how to gain patient acceptance.

Registrants in this course will receive a comprehensive work book, in-depth guides for implementation, a sample referral packet for the Implant Support Program, sample referral forms and letters, staff scripts, and commonly asked questions and answers.

The Los Angeles program is made possible

through the generous contributions of STERI-OSS; Straumann USA; Implant Innovations, Inc.; and Sulzer Calcitek.

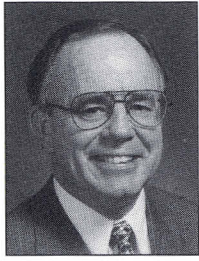
The second seminar offered this April is "Day to Day Troubleshooting in Implant Prosthodontics" with Dr. Dan Sullivan on April 18, 1997. This program will be held in Columbia, South Carolina at the Embassy Suites Hotel.

This course will be devoted to the restorative potential of osseointegrated implants. Dr. Dan Sullivan will address the topic by providing a 15 year retrospective, present-day analysis, and future vision. The course will detail what works and why it works in the private practice setting. Dr. Sullivan will share his concepts of efficient delivery of implant services including surgical placement, restorative designs, and delivery of osseointegrated implant restorative services.

This program is made possible through a generous contribution from Implant Innovations, Inc. and the assistance of Dorn Veterans Hospital

ACP members in the states surrounding each regional seminar have received brochures for each seminar. If you would like a detailed brochure or more information, please contact the ACP office at (312) 573-1260. ♦

Prosthodontist = Glorified General Dentist?



John F. Burton, DDS

While drafting my first President's Message for the November *Messenger*, I was confident that my presidential year would be filled with success by the American College of Prosthodontists in its ongoing efforts to promote the specialty of

prosthodontics and meet the needs of its membership. With an outstanding and forward thinking professional staff, the excellent corps of officers and directors, a strong membership base, and a spanking new strategic plan to guide us, I was convinced that the College was poised to move with giant strides toward accomplishment of its goals and objectives. And let me assure you up front, I have not been disappointed. However, I have also been constantly reminded of the many challenges that lie before us, not the least of which include public recognition of the specialty of prosthodontics, fragmentations within the specialty, and the growth and development of our graduate training programs.

Not long ago, I received a letter from an ACP member expressing his shock and disappointment at hearing prosthodontists referred to as "glorified general dentists" by a nationally recognized prosthodontist. What was even worse, the reference was made during a keynote address at a national meeting of another specialty organization. Though I too was greatly disheartened when informed of this grossly inaccurate remark, it simply reinforced for me what all of us know quite well; prosthodontists have a serious identification and name recognition problem both within the dental profession as well as the public at large. Without some significant success in this arena, our specialty will never achieve its rightful place meeting the specialty level clinical needs and demands of the public.

And that is exactly what this College is doing. At its recent meeting in late February, the Board of Directors heard the new public and professional relations initiative under development by our Public and Professional Relations Committee, chaired by Dr. Peter Johnson and the recently retained public relations firm Public Communications, Inc. The proposal included a number of very exciting elements, all geared toward educating our constituencies and providing tools for our membership to successfully market their practices. However, as Steve Hines stated in the last issue of the *Messenger*, "the ultimate measurement of our success...will be increased public demand for services from

prosthodontists." Only when new patients begin knocking at the doors of your practices and the phone rings frequently with referrals from your general dentist and specialty colleagues can we begin to think in terms of success.

Another critical area of concern for the ACP is membership, particularly as it is being impacted by our graduate training programs. In her recent report to the Board, Sabrina Whitlow, Director of Membership, presented data outlining a flat membership profile for the ACP over the last two years. Though our membership retention rate is high, there is an alarming trend of increasing applications for life membership status and limited numbers of new members coming into the organization, particularly young prosthodontists recently completing their programs. A major contributing factor may be the mix of students currently entering graduate prosthodontic training programs. Of just over 150 students entering their training programs in academic year 96-97, well over half are foreign trained dentists, many of whom will, of course, ultimately practice outside the US. Anecdotally, a College member from a major metropolitan area informed me that the program on which he serves as a faculty member has not enrolled a US trained student in three years. This area too demands a high priority on the College agenda.

As a second prong to our new public and professional relations initiative, we will also begin to aggressively market the specialty of prosthodontics to undergraduate dental students. In the long run, focusing our recruitment efforts on undergraduate dental students and investing our corps of graduate students are the keys to enhancing and further developing our specialty. With an aging population, the demand for prosthodontics services in this country will continue to exhibit strong growth. The American College of Prosthodontists must position itself to help meet this need.

If the College is to successfully address the many challenges our specialty faces, we must immediately begin to resolve the issue of fragmentation, a problem that has faced this specialty for many years. A recent occurrence dramatized to me just how pervasive this issue is. While meeting with the president of a major dental manufacturer, we were discussing potential partnering initiatives that might benefit both organizations. He shared with me his observation that prosthodontics is "incredibly fragmented." Though within the specialty we are well aware of this issue, hearing it from someone outside the profession was quite disappointing.

Fragmentation will be the number one agenda item for the ACP Prosthodontic Forum meeting in June of this year. I will charge all member organizations to move in a unified effort to meet the ever

increasing challenges facing our specialty. We are already working together on the 2nd International Symposium on Evidence Based Dentistry in Chicago September 19-22, 1997 cosponsored by the American College of Prosthodontists and the Editorial Council of the *Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry*. In addition to the generous financial support provided by the Editorial Council, as of this date three Prosthodontic Forum organizations have pledged additional - the Pacific Coast Society of Prosthodontists, the Northeast Gnathological Society, and the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontists. It is this kind of commitment to the common goal of the advancement of the specialty and discipline of prosthodontics that will ensure a bright and prosperous future for the profession.

As you can see from this column and elsewhere in this issue of the *Messenger*, your dues dollars are hard at work advancing the specialty of prosthodontics, but we have many more hurdles to cross. Our goal is a unified effort in support of prosthodontics under the leadership of the College with emphasis on getting our message to all the relevant constituencies. Let's pull together and win the fight in meeting this challenge. ♦

ACP Member Credit Card Offer

The College is pleased to announce introduction of a Platinum Plus MasterCard credit card program designed for ACP members. Features of the card include the following:

- Credit line of up to \$100,000
- \$1 million Common Carrier Travel Accident Insurance
- No Annual Fee
- Purchase protection against theft or damage
- Toll-free MBNA Platinum Plus service 24 hours a day.

ACP members will be receiving more information on the MBNA Platinum Plus MasterCard in an April mailing or can contact Mr. Steve Hines at the ACP office for more information. ♦

In Memorial

Dr. J. Walter Collinge
Life Fellow, Santa Barbara, California

Dr. Arne G. Lauritzen
Life Fellow, Seattle, Washington
December 24, 1996

Anti-Trust Limitations for the American College of Prosthodontists

By M. Nader Sharifi, D.D.S., M.S. Chairman - Committee on Dental Insurance and Managed Care

The American College of Prosthodontists initiated a new committee at the 1995 annual meeting. The Committee on Dental Insurance and Managed Care was formed to delve into the question of prosthodontists and third party payers. The committee was given an empty palette and the opportunity to create whatever they could.

When contemplating our course of action, it became immediately apparent that vast limitations existed regarding statements in this area of growing concern. The ACP, like any society, is limited in their actions due to anti-trust laws. As this committee embarks on our initial undertaking, those limitations should be understood by the entire membership.

As a basic definition, the antitrust laws are enforceable at any time when two dentists convene to discuss their fees, environment, or opportunities. If an action is derived from such a situation, then an antitrust violation has occurred. There are manners in which groups of dentists can band together and be exempt from antitrust violations. A dental society is not one of those.

Dental societies such as the ACP can be held liable for statements as policy or for statements by members representing the College which can be interpreted as violations of antitrust laws. Those making the comments are also liable. All statements must be fully

supportable by fact and cannot disparage managed care or any other plans. Any variation may be considered a violation and create a liability issue for the College and those persons involved. Currently, the ADA and my home state dental society, Illinois State Dental Society, are under anti-trust litigation from the insurance industry. Your state may also be involved. As a further bite to the laws of antitrust, damages awarded are tripled resulting in significant risk for all dental practitioners.

The American Dental Association has already evaluated this consideration regarding the managed care arena with its vast legal support. They have recommended that the best course for the ACP to follow is with helping our members to understand the changes in the marketplace and disseminate information. It is this charge that the new committee has taken. The Committee on Dental Insurance and Managed Care will begin a series of articles in the *Messenger* discussing dental insurance and managed care issues from an educational perspective.

The College will not condone statements which will put our entire membership at risk for antitrust violations. While some members may believe we should challenge these restrictions, the College does not have the resources, the need, nor the will to do so at this time. The membership should be well informed in order to make educated decisions. Your new committee will work hard to ensure that occurs.

This *Messenger* series will initially include five articles of general and specific interest. Support you are offered but may not be aware of is outlined for those who are participating in the managed care arena. A common managed care option is the Preferred Provider Organization. This often misunderstood plan is broken down so that we can make educated decisions when considering joining such a plan.

The American Dental Association has launched a campaign to generate interest in the Direct Reimbursement option to dental benefits. What will this mean to prosthodontists? An article will answer those questions. There are potential antitrust issues when you discuss managed care with your patients. What can you say and what should you say when a patient mentions that they may be leaving your practice. And finally, what can you do in your area to join forces with other dentists and protect yourself from antitrust violations. There are a few options you should know about. Our series of articles will discuss these issues for your information and education.

If there are other topics you wish to discuss or receive information about, feel free to contact any of the members on this committee. We would welcome your input and support. You can contact the College via phone, fax, or email. My e-mail address is MNSDDSMS@AOL.com. ♦

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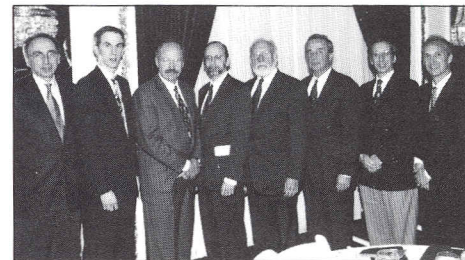
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Announcements



GNYP Announces New Officers and Council Members The Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics held its forty-second annual scientific meeting on December 6 and 7, 1996 at The Plaza in New York, New York. Pictured are the new officers and council members of the Academy (l to r): Stanley M. Weinstock, Treasurer, Clifford D. Kopp, Secretary; Jonathan L. Ferencz, Immediate Past President; Paul J. Hoffman, President; Eugene P. LaSota, President-Elect; Robert A. Saporito, Vice President; Gary S. Rogoff, Member of Council; Vincent Celenza, Member of Council.

Members in the News



Dr. Carol Lefebvre

Dr. Carol A. Lefebvre, Associate Professor of Oral Rehabilitation in the Medical College of Georgia School of Dentistry received the 1996 Teaching Excellence Award during its Fall Student Assembly in August, 1996. The criteria for selection

included knowledge of clinical skills, scientific competence, teaching skills, methods and materials, modeling professional characteristics and the impact on students.

Her nomination noted Dr. Lefebvre's use of a problem-based learning format in her preclinical removable prosthodontics course.

Dr. David Myers, Dean of the MCG School of Dentistry, said the adaptation resulted in a positive experience for both faculty and students involved in the course. "She is an exemplary teacher who demonstrates genuine interest in the academic and personal welfare of the student. Her faculty colleagues, along with current and former students, provided the selection committee with high praise for her teaching skills and her concern for students at all levels," said Dr. Myers.

Dr. Lefebvre received her Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, and Doctor in Dental Science degrees from Michigan State University. Since 1992, she has served as section head for Removable Prosthodontics in the Department of Oral Rehabilitation.



Dr. Mohammad Mazaheri

The Lancaster County Dental Society named Dr. Mohammad Mazaheri the recipient of the Herbert K. Cooper Dental Achievement Award.

The award is presented annually to one who embodies the highest ideals of the Lancaster County community and the dental profession as exemplified by Dr. Cooper. Dr. Mazaheri was honored at the annual dinner dance on January 18th, 1997.

Dr. David Pfeifer was named Outstanding Peer Review Chairman by the California Dental Association. Dr. Pfeifer was presented his award at the CDA House of Delegates meeting held in December, 1996.



Dr. Nancy S. Arbree

Dr. Nancy S. Arbree has been appointed Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine (TUSDM) in Boston, MA. Dr. Arbree will be helping to implement the school's ongoing Curriculum Revision.

Her additional positions at the school include Associate Professor and Division Head, Complete Denture Prosthodontics, Department of Restorative Dentistry, Infection Control Coordinator, and Course Director for the Predoctoral Implant Dentistry Course. She has been at TUSDM since 1981.

Dr. Arbree earned her DDS at Georgetown University School of Dentistry and completed a Postgraduate Prosthodontic and Maxillofacial Prosthetic Residency at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City. She is a Board-certified prosthodontist and recently complete her Masters of Dental Science at TUSDM. Dr. Arbree has been active in the ACP, providing continuing education courses and overseeing the Annual Session's Table Clinic Presentations. ♦

Sharry Prosthodontic Research Competition

The John J. Sharry Prosthodontic Research Competition, sponsored by the Education Foundation of the American College of Prosthodontists, will be held during the Annual Session of the College in Orlando, Florida, November 5-8, 1997. The Prosthodontic Research Competition is held to stimulate and acknowledge original research in prosthodontics by students.

Persons are eligible for competition if they are currently enrolled in a post-doctoral Prosthodontic program, or have completed their program less than three (3) years from the date of the competition. Papers must not have appeared in print or been previously presented at a major meeting.

Abstracts must be submitted to the Chair of the Research Committee of the American College of Prosthodontists no later than May 12, 1997. Please note the following:

1. The abstract must adhere to developed guidelines, and be submitted on available abstract forms. The abstract forms can be obtained from the Chair of the Research Committee.
2. The abstract must be accompanied by a letter of support from the research mentor.
3. Other authors on the abstract are limited to the research mentor.

Six abstracts will be selected as semi-finalists no later than June 30, 1997; all authors will be notified of the decision on or about June 7, 1997. The six semi-finalists will be required to submit manuscripts, according to guidelines developed for the Journal of Prosthodontics, to the Research Committee by August 1, 1997. The Committee will review the manuscripts, and select three finalists to compete at the ACP Annual Session; the three finalists will be notified by September 15, 1997.

The three candidates selected as finalists to present their papers at the Annual Session will receive travel and one day per diem expenses for the meeting. In addition, each finalist will receive a plaque, and cash awards of \$1,250.00 for first place, \$750.00 for second place, and \$500.00 for third place. Matching funds will be presented to the candidates' program directors. These awards will be presented during the Awards Luncheon held at the Annual Session.

For further information and abstract forms, contact Dr. David A. Felton, Chair, Research Committee, UNC School of Dentistry, Department of Prosthodontics, Room 404 Brauer Hall CB 7450, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7450. Telephone: (919) 966-2712; Fax: (919) 966-3821; or e-mail Ms. Melanie Barbour: barbour.dentce@mhs.unc.edu. ♦

Editor Needed for ACP Study Guide

An editor is needed for the next edition of the ACP Study Guide for Board Certification in Prosthodontics, which is scheduled for release in September 1998. The study guide is a useful reference for candidates taking the exam given by the American Board of Prosthodontics. The last three editions have been edited by Drs. Arthur Nimmo and Kenneth Malament, and the study guide contents are on computer disk (Write Now 4.0, Macintosh). The new editor must be a diplomate, preferably having taken the exam under the new format. We are looking for a new editor who is computer literate and innovative to do a major redesign and update of the study guide.

If you are interested in taking on this challenging responsibility, please contact: Dr. Arthur Nimmo, Professor and Chairman, Department of Prosthodontics, University of Detroit Mercy, School of Dentistry, 2985 E. Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, MI, 48207-4282, by June 1, 1997. Telephone: (313) 446-1895, Fax: (313) 446-1918, e-mail to ACNimmo@aol.com ♦

House Notes



Kenneth Kent, D.M.D.
Speaker, House of Delegates

Please tell us who you have elected to serve as your delegates and alternate delegates to the Orlando House of Delegates. Have your section take an active role in the governance of the ACP.

Remember that the number of delegates representing your section is determined by the

number of dues paying members in the ACP residing in your state. At the 1997 House of Delegates Meeting we will have the opportunity to formally grant charters to four new sections, North Carolina, Arkansas, Arizona and Louisiana. We will also assess the unification of sections in those states who previously have had more than one section. This year, many of our members have demonstrated their confidence in the College by paying their dues early. Each section member should encourage students and prosthodontists who are not members of the College to join and become involved.

To assist your section efforts, Steve Hines has successfully recruited Sabrina Whitlow to join our staff as Director of Membership

and Education. Sabrina has an impressive background in membership recruitment and retention as well as coordinating Professional Development Programs. While working with the AGD for three years, Sabrina helped train chapter officers in administration, legislation, membership marketing and meeting planning. Sabrina will be an invaluable resource as we strengthen our sections and aggressively activate membership recruitment and retention.

Marsha Holub, our Membership Director since 1994, recently resigned to assume a more advanced position with the American Planning Association in Chicago. Marsha's pleasant smile, willingness to help and knowledge of our membership and database will be sorely missed. We greatly appreciate all Marsha's efforts on behalf of the College and wish her the best.

Member participation at the section and national level will strengthen our organization at a grass-roots level. Our sections will continue to grow as each of us recruits our entire potential membership. Then the ACP can truly serve as an effective voice to the public and other health care professionals and accomplish its priority goals. Your involvement will make our American College of Prosthodontists the most representative and premiere specialty health care organization. ♦

Meet the New ACP Staff Members



Tasha Thomas

Three new employees have joined the staff of the ACP office.

The first new staff person that College members are most likely to meet is Ms. Tasha Thomas, our Receptionist/Clerk. Ms. Thomas began with the College on January 15 and has already spoken with many members who have called the ACP office in recent weeks. In addition to being the primary phone contact, she will also provide administrative support for other staff members.



Sabrina Whitlow

Ms. Sabrina Whitlow has assumed the position of Director, Membership and Section Relations vacated last November by Ms. Marsha Holub. She will continue the College's membership recruitment and retention plan while also facilitating House of Delegates and Section activities. A graduate of Beloit College, Ms. Whitlow



Phoebe Weinberg

comes to the College after working at the Academy of General Dentistry, MCI, and most recently, the Illinois Bankers Association.

The College's new Director, Meeting Planning and Education is Ms. Phoebe Weinberg. Joining the College in early February, Ms. Weinberg is the primary contact for the Annual Session and other ACP meetings, the ACP Education Foundation, continuing education and ADA CERP compliance, and related issues. A graduate of Indiana University, Ms. Weinberg has worked in hotel sales for a Chicago hotel, at the Hyatt Hotels' corporate office, and most recently, in association management. ♦

Annual Session Update

Orlando to Host 1997 ACP Annual Session

The stage is set for the 1997 ACP Annual Session in Orlando, Florida. The Renaissance Orlando Resort, right across from SeaWorld, is the site for this year's meeting from November 5-8.

The theme for the meeting will be "Interfaces in Prosthodontics: Technology to Implants to Esthetics - Narrowing the Gap." Representatives from eight implant companies will be included in the scientific presentations providing the opportunity to learn more about the variety of systems available. No matter what system you use, chances are it will be represented.

Members bringing their families to the 1997 Annual Session in Orlando can take advantage of the ACP hotel rate for a longer stay. From October 30 to November 11, 1997 the rate for a single or double room at the Renaissance Orlando Resort is \$150 per night. To secure this rate, contact reservations at 1-800-327-6677 and say you are with the American College of Prosthodontists. ♦

Call for Table Clinic Presentations

The American College of Prosthodontists Annual Session

November 5-8, 1997

Table Clinics Session

Thursday, November 6, 1997
12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Poster or Display Presentations of Research
Clinical and/or Laboratory Techniques
No Slide Projectors Allowed

Please Contact

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From the ABP Executive Director...

The June examinations for Board certification will be held June 15 - 20, 1997 in Dallas, Texas at the Crescent Court Hotel. Candidates who plan to stay in the hotel are requested to inform the hotel of their status as candidates of the Board. This will ensure that they will receive a reduced occupancy rate for their stay. The candidates will be informed of other hotels in the area when they register to take the examinations. The final date for the acceptance of applications to participate in the June examinations will be May 1, 1997. Please make every effort to send in your application as soon after March 1, 1997 as possible. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

I have had several inquiries concerning the issuance of certificates for 1997. The Board determined that certificates would only be issued every eight years coincidental with the recertification process. The certificate issued for 1996 is an eight year certificate.

The Board is pleased to inform the membership that participation in the February examinations increased significantly over February, 1996. Seven candidates are in their third year of a postgraduate program. This is the first year that these candidates are eligible to participate. In addition, several candidates have chosen to take all four parts of the examination.

If you have not already sent in your renewal fee, please do so as soon as possible. This will eliminate the necessity of sending additional letters to remind you.

Diplomates who have retired from all compensation in the dental profession are requested to inform the Executive Director so that the Board can recognize them as life members.

If any Diplomate has questions concerning the Board, they are asked to make inquiries to the Executive Director.

Correspondence concerning the American Board of Prosthodontics should be directed to:
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Fax (404) 872-8804 ♦

Aquilino Elected as Examiner



Dr. Steven A. Aquilino

The American Board of Prosthodontics has elected Dr. Steven A. Aquilino as an Examiner.

Dr. Aquilino is currently a Professor and Director of Graduate Prosthodontics at the University of Iowa, College of Dentistry.

He received his M.S. in Prosthodontics from the University of North Carolina where he also received his dental degree. Dr. Aquilino completed a general practice residency at the VA Medical Center in San Francisco.

A consultant to the ADA Commission on Dental Accreditation and Council on Scientific Affairs, Dr. Aquilino is a Fellow in the American College of Prosthodontists. He was nominated for the Board ballot by the College and the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics and won election to the Board in a November election.

Dr. Aquilino lives in Iowa City with his wife, Mary and daughter, Kristin. ♦



The Kentucky Chapter of the American College of Prosthodontists held a six-hour continuing education course titled, "A Day with Prosthodontists" on November 8, 1996. Twelve members of the state chapter presented talks on clinical and research topics. The course was cosponsored by Kelley Dental Laboratory of New Albany, Indiana, and Whip Mix Corporation of Louisville, Kentucky, whose Sollinger Conference Center served as the venue. Sixteen dentists registered for the course and proceeds were divided between Kelley Dental and the Kentucky Chapter. Speakers included: (l to r) Oscar D. Vasquez, Lawrence Gettleman, John Dominici, Russ Williamson, Keith Kinderknecht, and Christopher C. Cron



In January, the Massachusetts Section of the American College of Prosthodontists conducted its Yankee Dental Event and Annual Meeting. This year's meeting was very successful thanks to guest speaker Dr. John Sorensen, numerous sponsors, and a high level of attendance. Pictured standing from left to right are: background: Berdj Kiladjian, DMD, Past President; Dr. John Sorensen; foreground - Elliot Kronstein, DDS, president; Louis M. Brown, DMD, vice president; Daryl Roy, DMD, secretary; and Hiroshi Hirayama, DDS, treasurer.

The ACP Membership Committee is seeking nominees for the following College awards. Nominations for both awards can only be made by active Fellows and/or Members of the College. Supporting letters from two (2) active Fellows and/or Members must be sent to the Headquarters Office by May 1, 1997.

The ACP Outstanding Young Prosthodontist Award

Selection Criteria and Requirements:

- Nominees must be members or fellows of the College

- Nominees must be 40 years of age or younger at the time the award is conferred.
- Selection of awardee is based on outstanding contributions to the specialty of prosthodontics.
- One award will be conferred each year.

The ACP Distinguished Service Award

Selection Criteria and Requirements:

- Nominees must be members or fellows of the College
- Selection of awardee is based on outstanding contributions to dentistry with emphasis

on prosthodontics; outstanding service to the College; contributions to the sciences or health professions; or contributions of a humanitarian nature

- One award will be conferred each year.

The awardees will be selected by the Membership Committee with final approval at the summer Board of Directors meeting. The awardees will be recognized and receive a plaque at the Annual Awards Luncheon at the 1997 Annual College Meeting in Orlando, Florida. ♦

Meetings and Conferences Calendar

May 30 - June 3, 1997

The Academy of Prosthodontics
Sheraton Halifax, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
Contact: Dr. Edward J. Plekavitch, 4830 V. Street, NW,
Washington, DC 20007.

June 5-7, 1997

**Seventh International Congress on Reconstructive
Preprosthetic Surgery, Copenhagen**
Contact: E. Hjorting-Hansen
Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
University of Copenhagen
20 Norre Alle
DK-2200 Copenhagen N Denmark

June 25-28, 1997

**62nd Annual Meeting of the Pacific Coast Society
of Prosthodontists**
Chateau Whistler Resort, Whistler, British Columbia, Canada.
Contact: Dr. Madeline Kurrasch, 23451 Madison Street,
Suite 220, Torrence, CA 90505. Phone: (310)378-9261.

September 18-23, 1997

**Second International Symposium on Evidence-
Based Dentistry**
Omni Hotel
Chicago, Illinois
Contact: ACP, (312) 573-1260

October 18-21, 1997

ADA Annual Session
Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC.
Contact: ADA 312-440-2500.

October 29 - November 2, 1997

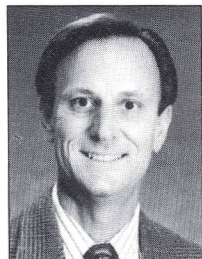
International College of Prosthodontics
Sliema, Malta,
Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza.
Contact: RES Seminars (619) 272-1018, Fax: (619) 272-7687.

November 2 - 5, 1997

American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics
Orlando, Florida.
Contact: Dr. Jonathan Wiens, 810-932-5191.

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as the Topics of Interest Section Editor. Dr. Richards, from West Virginia University where he is the Chair of Restorative Dentistry, and Director of the Prosthodontics Residency Program, will be section editor for the *Journal's* newest section, Clinical Reports.

"It is so gratifying to have College members step forward and compete to participate in the further development of our Journal," said Dr. Patrick M. Lloyd, Editor-in-Chief of the *JP*. "All prosthodontists need to rally around the *JP*, just as Drs. Phoenix and Richards have,

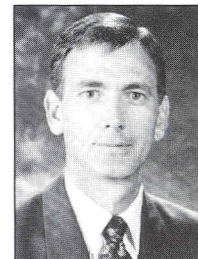
The Editorial Board of the *Journal of Prosthodontics* is pleased to announce the selection of Dr. Rodney D. Phoenix and Dr. Mark W. Richards to serve as section editors. Dr. Phoenix, the Director of Research in the Department of Prosthodontics at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, will serve the *JP*

and find a way to contribute, either by submitting manuscripts, serving as reviewers, advocating that colleagues and libraries subscribe, or promoting its reading among study clubs and other dental organizations," he continued.

Dr. Phoenix brings a collection of special skills and experiences to the editorial board. A Boarded prosthodontist with a bachelors degree in Journalism and biomaterials training at The University of Florida, he stands ready to work with authors and reviewers so that manuscripts are developed to the fullest potential. His years in the United States Air Force first as a general dentist and then a prosthodontist, directing education programs and supervising dental laboratory personnel, have given him the broad perspective needed to serve as the Topics of Interest Section editor. His record of publications and participation in the peer review process of the *JP* and other dental journals are evidence of his ability to advance the College's journal.

"To serve the College as a Section Editor would be a great honor and a tremendous opportunity," was how Dr. Richards expressed his desire to serve on the *JP* Editorial Board. A researcher, educator, and clinician in the US Navy, he

completed his tenure as Chairman of the Department of Prosthodontics, Director of the Prosthodontics Graduate Program, and Research Coordinator at the Naval Dental School in Bethesda, Maryland. Certified by the American Board of Prosthodontics, he has held positions on numerous committees for prosthodontic and dental research organizations. Additional credentials that further enhance his ability to contribute to the *JP* include a Masters of Arts degree in Higher Education from The George Washington University. Dr. Richards is a funded clinical/laboratory researcher, a published author in the prosthodontics literature and a recognized lecturer in the specialty. His well rounded background in and commitment to all levels of the specialty will be the key to his successful development and management of the Clinical Reports Section of the *JP*. ♦



Rodney D. Phoenix,
DDS MS
Topics of Interest
Section Editor

Academic Opportunities

Texas - Prosthodontics

The Department of Prosthodontics at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Dental School is seeking applicants for two tenure-track faculty positions at the Assistant Professor level. Teaching responsibilities include preclinical and clinical instruction in fixed, implant, and removable prosthodontics. Participation in research, patient care and service is expected. Board certification or commitment to becoming board certified, research experience and a commitment to academic dentistry are also expected. Qualifications include a DDS/DMD degree, completion of an ADA-accredited advanced education program in prosthodontics and eligibility for licensure in Texas. Evaluation of applicants will begin immediately and continue until positions are filled. Applicants should provide a personal statement delineating their qualifications and career goals, curriculum vitae, and the names and addresses of three references. Direct applications or inquiries to Dr. Richard R. Seals, Director of Predoctoral Education, Department of Prosthodontics, 7703 Floyd Curl Drive, San Antonio, Texas 78284-7912, telephone (210) 567-6400, internet SealsR@UTHSCSA.EDU). The UTHSCSA is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

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