

# NEWSLETTER

### THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PROSTHODONTISTS



MEMBER PUBLICATION AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF DENTAL EDITORS

VOLUME 4

### **OUR PRESIDENT**

John J. Sharry will address the 33rd Annual Meeting of The American Institute of Oral Biology in Palm Springs, California, October 22-26, 1976. The Institute brings together during its' Annual Seminar a group of eminent authorities in the regimen of Oral Biology as is pertinent to the modern practice of dentistry. Dr. Sharry will speak on areas of research in prosthodontic therapy and to the practical applications of research studies in clinical problems occurring during prosthetic restoration.

The program is scheduled to permit a discussion of each lecture which, together with forum discussions, will be directed to bringing out the practical applications of these subjects to the practice of dentistry. The Institute is affiliated with the University of Texas School of Dentistry at San Antonio, Texas and this Seminar will be registered with the State of California for continuing education credit.

For further information and application forms, please write to Executive Secretary, P. O. Box 481, South Laguna, California 92677.

### INTER-SOCIETY COLOR COUNCIL REPORT

Subcommittee #35: Color and Appearance Matching of Living Tissue Annual Report 1976

All of the delegates of The American College of Prosthodontists to the Inter-Society Color Council are included in the membership of subcommittee #35. The annual report of the ACP to the ISCC contains information relevant to the activities of subcommittee #35 but is not repeated in this report.

NUMBER 2

A new organization, the American Academy for Esthetic Dentistry, was organized in Chicago on October 26, 1975. Several members of subcommittee #35 are charter members of this new group dedicated to improved esthetics. The Academy has listed its goals as follows:

- 1. To foster greater awareness of esthetic principles and techniques.
- 2. To foster communication and research among all disciplines so that their combined efforts can be coordinated to achieve the ultimate total esthetic results.
- To promote esthetics in dental school curriculums. Esthetics is one of the prime reasons patients visit the dentist; yet few, if any, dental school curriculums devote a course to esthetics.
- To influence dental manufacturers to continue to seek the ideal restorative materials; to seek additional grants for research and development of new methods and esthetic techniques encompassing physiological and biological principles.
- To help combat false claims by overzealous individuals or manufacturers and to require

meaningful research of dental materials before release to the profession.

Mutual interests of the AAED and subcommittee #35 indicate that a close and cooperative liaison be maintained in the future.

Dr. Michael MacEntee and Dr. Romauld Lakowski, the University of British Columbia, Vancouver 8, Canada are beginning a research project on Color Properties of Teeth. They have been given names of others known to be working in this area and invited to join subcommittee #35. Others interested in this problem are invited to contact them.

Janel Volie, Department of Opthalmic Optics and Visual Science, The City University, London, England is writing a thesis on Defective Colour Vision in Industry. A copy of the United States Army research paper by Sproull, A Survey of the Color Education in the Dental Schools of the World, has been sent to her. A copy has also been sent to the Academy for Esthetic Dentistry.

The Department of Engineering, University of Wisconsin, conducted a course entitled Designing the Color, Light and Visual Environment for Human Performance on September 29th and 30th, 1975. The sections relating to lighting and color requirements for living nd working areas and the section on research activities related to the luminous environment were especially relevant to dentistry. Affiliation with the ISCC resulted in notification concerning the course and is appreciated. Several members of subcommittee #35 attended.

**JUNE 1976** 

A color measuring instrument which delivers tri-stimulus values by means of a fiber optic head held to the tooth will be demonstrated at subcommittee #35's meeting if details can be worked out with the developers. At last year's meeting Max Saltzman reported that Professor Wright of England published an article on a similar instrument.

I want to thank Bruce Burk for acting as secretary since our meeting in Washington D.C. in November, 1974. Bruce has faithfully reproduced and sent out the notices as I have sent them to him, but the geographical separation of our locations has presented problems, especially in answering foreign correspondence. My wife, Peggy, has been doing all my typing for years so I've decided to make her the official secretary of subcommittee #35. Her location is perfect and she gets my meals on top of that. I have doubled her salary, but since she's been working for nothing it won't be an expense. So--our appreciation to Bruce and welcome Peggy.

> Robert C. Sproull, D.D.S. Chairman

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The message of Dr. John J. Sharry, and the amount of space devoted to recent illegal dentistry activities in the NEWSLETTER of March, 1976 denote the concern of prosthodontists in particular, and dentists in general, on a national scale.

One very important point should be noted. "Denturists" would not be able to operate in any state if the edentulous areas were not present for these people to perform their mechanical procedures upon.

As much stress as possible should be given to dental students, graduate students, and all dental practitioners to employ multi-disciplinary approaches to saving teeth. If more attention would be given to the patients' options to make use of the services of endodontics, periodontics, and modern restorative procedures, there would be very little room indeed for illegal dental activities as you have noted. It is incumbent upon all specialists to work as a team and to convey this approach to patients as being to their ultimate advantage. Also, it would indeed be beneficial to all if oral surgeons would routinely and normally question the need for many extractions that are presently being done. Advice to the patients, in many instances, as to the availability of endodontics, posts and cores, and, periodontal procedures in conjunction with prosthetic procedures should be routinely given by all dentists. This should preclude the extraction of teeth simply at the request of either a practitioner or a patient that is unknowledgeable as to the availability of today's sophisticated dental treatments.

> Morton L. Perel Providence, Rhode Island

### SELF TESTING PLAN PROJECTED

Dr. Russell Bickley, the Chairman of the Education and Advancement Committee, has suggested to the Board of Directors that the committee involve itself in establishing a method where each individual member can evaluate his level of current knowledge of prosthodontics. The Board of Directors has approved the concept in principle, and Dr. Bickley reports that a testing plan is being formulated for further consideration at an early meeting.

### **1976 COMMITTEES**



GIRARD J. DIPIETRO Annual Sessions Chairman and Program Chairman - 1976

Doctor DiPietro, a Charter Fellow of the College, is a 1957 graduate of the

University of Pennsylvania School of Dentistry and had his residency training at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, California. He is presently a Colonel in the United States Army Dental Corps at Fort Benning, Georgia where he holds a number of positions, including Director of Removable Prosthodontic Residency Training, Director of Dental Education, and Chief of a clinic. In his "spare time" he is actively engaged in a number of research projects and has a faculty appointment as a Visiting Lecturer at the Medical University of South Carolina, College of Dental Medicine. Doctor DiPietro has lectured in Europe and Asia and extensively throughout the United States.

Additional members of the Program Committee are Robert H. Sprigg and Kenneth L. Stewart.



#### ROBERT J. SARKA Chairman, Hospitality Committee

Dr. Sarka is presently Chairman, Department of Prosthodontics and Deputy Director of Dental Services, David Grant USAF Medical Center, Travis Air Force Base, California and Military Consultant to the Surgeon General, USAF, in Prosthodontics. He is a Charter Fellow of the College and is a member of several prosthodontic organizations.

His wife Vicki is a native Californian from Los Angeles and Redondo Beach, but still calls San Francisco her favorite city.

Bob, Vicki and the Hospitality Committee are working to make you visit to "Everybody's Favorite City" a truly memorable one.

Other committee members are Charles D. Hemphill, A. M. LaVere and Keith R. Marcroft.



ROBERT J. EVERHART Local Arrangements Chairman

Dr. Everhart - is the Chief, Department of Dentistry and Director of Dental Education at Letterman Army Medical Center, San Francisco, California. Bob is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dentistry and a Charter Fellow of the College. His present assignment at one of the most beautiful military posts in the country gives him the opportunity to serve the College in the capacity of Local Arrangements Chairman.

This committee also includes Lewis A. Chambless, John E. Holt, Warden H. Noble and Robert S. Staffanou.



EDWIN H. SMITH, JR. Chairman, Nominating Committee

Dr. Smith has recently retired from the position of Assistant Surgeon General for Dental Services, Department of the Army. He is associate professor in the Department of Removable Prosthodontics at the Dental School of Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond. He is involved in the diadactic and clinical teaching of removable prosthodontics in the sophomore, junior and senior years. In addition, it is his responsibility to develop a program for post-graduate training in prosthodontics at the school.

Other members of the nominating committee are Robert W. Elliott, Jr., Albert J. Kazis, Robert J. Leopold, and Robert M. Morrow.



#### DANIEL F. GORDON Chairman, Prosthetic Dental Care Programs

Dr. Gordon is vice-president of the American College of Prosthodontists. He also serves as Associate Clinical Professor, School of Dentistry, University of Southern California. He is an ADA delegate and the past president of the California Dental Association, in addition to various other distinguished services. All of which is in addition to private practice in Santa Ana, California.

His committee members are I. Kenneth Adisman, Arthur E. Aull, Judson C. Hickey, George E. Krueger, Wiliam H. Pruden, II, John E. Rhoads, and Robert H. Sprigg.



#### ROBERT M. MORROW Chairman, Publications and Liaison Committee

Dr. Morrow is a 1955 graduate of the University of Missouri at Kansas City. He received his prosthodontic training at the University of Texas Dental

Branch at Houston and Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center in San Antonio 1961-64. Dr. Morrow is currently Chairman, Department of Prosthodontics, Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center. As of August 15, 1976, he will be head of the Graduate Division, Department of Prosthodontics, University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, Texas. He is a member of various prosthodontic organizations and author of numerous publications. His hobbies include fishing, sailing, backpacking and "Longhorn" football. Mick and Wanita have a son and a daughter, both students at the University of Texas.

Other committee members are Ken Adisman, Edmund Cavozos, Jr., Edwin H. Smith, Jr., Edmund A. Travaglini, and Stephen L. Welsh.



#### ROBERT SPROULL Chairman, Color and Color Matching

Dr. Sproull is a native of West Virginia and a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dentistry, 1950. He served in the Army Dental Corps, retiring in 1973 as Chief of the Hospital Dental Clinic at William Beaumont Army Medical Center in El Paso. He is now enjoying life as a private practitioner.

One of his hobbies has been various aspects of history so it is not surprising that he has served as president of the American Academy of the History of Dentistry. He also has numerous publications to his credit.

Other members of this committee are Stephen F. Bergen, Lawrence Gettleman, Jack D. Preston, Donald E. Smith, Philip C. Thomas and Kenneth A. Turner.



#### WALTER J. DEMER Chairman, Necrology and Eulogy Committee

Dr. Demer retired from the regular Navy Dental Corps in 1965 and has been on the faculty of Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. since that time. He is teaching Prosthodontics at the pre-clinical, clinical, graduate, and post-doctoral levels with special emphasis on Removable Partial Dentures. He is also a consultant for the VA and the Naval Graduate Dental School and regular lecturer at the post-graduate courses at the VA Dental Training Center.

Other committee members are J. Walter Collinge, William B. Arkerly and Leonard E. Mark.

Ed. Note - Remaining committees will be listed in future issues.

#### SPECIAL NOTICE CHANGE IN MEETING DATES San Francisco November 9-10-11, 1976

As reported in the "Newsletter" of The American College of Prosthodontists, our San Francisco meeting was to be held November 10-12. It has, however, come to our attention that the American Prosthodontic Society will meet in Las Vegas, Nevada, November 12-13.

In consideration to our members who may wish to attend both meetings, The American College of Prosthodontists will meet in San Francisco on November 9-11. For planning purposes, please note change in dates.

### WANTED TO BUY:

Back issues of JPD 1951-1966 inclusive (Vol. 1 thru Vol. 16) and House Articulator.

Please address: Robert J. Flinton, Cdr. DC, USN USS Ranger CV 61 FPO San Francisco, California 96601

J.P.D. Vol. 4, No. 1. Please address: Col. Girard J. DiPietro Dental Company, USA MEDDAC Dental Clinic # 3 Fort Benning, Georgia 31905

### STIMULATING PROGRAM FOR SAN FRANCISCO

The topics to be covered in this meeting are of broad range and should be of vital interest to all prosthodontists.

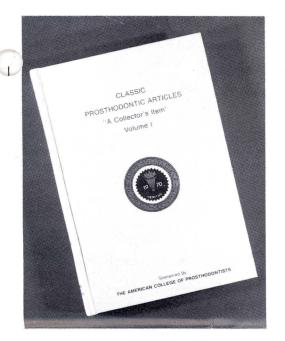
Jaw movements during chewing will be demonstrated by movie film of the patient's casts moved by the Gnathic Replicator. A special guest lecturer, Dr. Antje Tallgren will report on the morphologic and functional changes in the masticatory system related to wearing complete dentures. Recent research on problems relating to the porcelain surface of ceramo-metal restorations with possible laboratory and clinical solutions will be presented. Physiologic response to dental implants will be discussed.

These are but a sampling of the stimulating topics that will be presented during our three mornings of scientific sessions. These combined with the splendors and excitement of San Francisco plus our unique social events make this outstanding meeting a must for everyone.

> Girard J. DiPietro Annual Sessions Chairman and Program Chairman - 1976



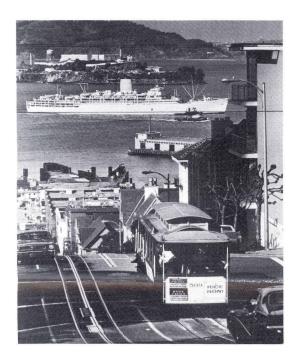
The Golden Gate Bridge is silhouetted against San Francisco's sparkling skyline in this night view from the Marin hills. (S. F. Visitors Bureau photo by Lee Blodget)



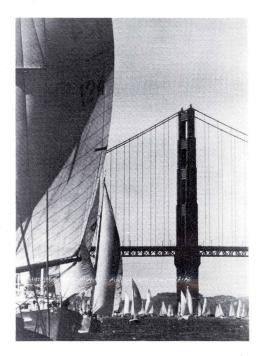
The Book of Classic Prosthodontic articles is now available. It has a beautiful white binding with the College logo in color on the front cover. The articles are reproduced from the original article in the journal by a photographic process and are quite good. This is a useful and valuable addition for every dentists library. The price is only \$10.00 a copy.

To get your copy complete the form below and mail it to Dr. Kenneth D. Rudd, Secretary, 6005 Rue Liliane, San Antonio, Texas 78238.

Г	Name
Ş	Street Address
(	City & State Zip
\$	inclosed for copy(ies). Make checks payable to:
	The American College of Prosthodontists
and mail to the Secretary.	

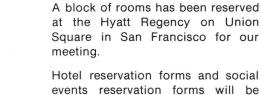


In San Francisco, where they've got it all together, ocean-going liners and tugs pass within a stone's throw of quaint and conventional rolling stock. The cable car's heading down Hyde Street to its turntable at Victorian Park. The SS Arcadia is bound for her berth at the Embarcadero. Alcatraz remains impassive and immobile. (S.F. Visitors Bureau photo by Ted Needham)



San Francisco is surrounded on three sides by water, making it a mecca for mariners. Golden Gate Bridge in the background offers incomparable view of the city, the Bay and Alcatraz and Angel Islands. The bridge is toll-free to pedestrians, 75¢ for cars. (S.F. Visitors Bureau)





### SECRETARY'S NOTE

mailed to all members in September.







#### NEWSLETTER

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED San Antonio, Texas 78212 1303 McCullough Dr. J. D. Larkin, Editor OF PROSTHODONTISTS THE AMERICAN COLLEGE