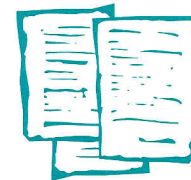




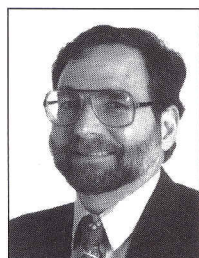
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House of Delegates Selects Speaker



Kenneth Kent, DMD

The ACP House of Delegates held their annual meeting during the 1996 Annual Session in Kansas City. One of the major actions taken during the meeting was the establishment of a Speaker of the House position. At the close of this year's meeting, Dr. Kenneth Kent was elected Speaker of the ACP House of Delegates.

Dr. Kent is the Director, Maxillofacial Prosthetics and Dental Oncology, Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Hospital Dentistry and Department of Radiation Oncology, University of Pennsylvania Medical

Center. He is also Co-Director, Maxillofacial Prosthetics and Implant Reconstruction Fellowship at that institution. He is a graduate of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and completed his certificate in Prosthodontics

at Boston University School of Graduate Dentistry. Dr. Kent's term is for two years.

Dr. James Holtan served as Interim Speaker of the House for this year's meeting overseeing all of the details in the months preceding the meeting as well as moderating the gathering in Kansas City. The House met in two sessions

this year. The opening session took place on Wednesday, October 2. Several informational reports were given by ACP officers and the College's Executive Director. After breaking out into reference committees and discussing all of the resolutions, the House reconvened on Saturday, October 5 to vote.

Among the other actions taken by the House were the following:

Membership

- The College bylaws pertaining to Canadian membership have been changed. Fellows and Members who live in Canada will now pay dues equal to one half of the annual membership fee. To attend the ACP Annual Session, Canadian members must now pay the meeting registration fee plus the remaining one-half of the annual membership fee.
- Only members paying the full annual membership dues will have the right to hold elective positions within the College, the right to vote, and the right for representation.
- The Membership and By-Laws committees have been charged to develop and define a membership category for a foreign membership status for foreign prosthodontists wishing to have limited participation within the College and thus pay partial membership dues.

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ACP House of Delegates Meeting

Kansas City Wrap-up

Kansas City gave a warm Midwestern welcome to the 650 registrants at the 1996 ACP Annual Session last month. The Hyatt Regency Crown Center was the site for this year's meeting held October 2 -5, 1996.

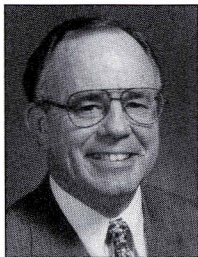
A full scientific session complemented by table clinics, exhibits, and social events were assembled under the leadership of Annual Session Chair Dr. Thomas Taylor.

For many, the Annual Session started even before the Opening Session on Thursday, October 3. The ACP Board of Directors held a full day meeting two days earlier, while Wednesday featured a full schedule including



Dr. James Holtan with his wife, Susan, at "Kansas City Kasual"

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As I contemplated what to write in my first President's Message, two thoughts came to mind that I must say right up front. First, I am honored and privileged to serve as the 27th President of the American College of Prosthodontists and want

to thank all of you who helped me along the way to reaching this lofty position. And secondly, I want each of you to know that my number one goal during my tenure is to serve the membership of this great organization. Please let me know what I can do for you.

If you were not in Kansas City last month for the College's Annual Session, you missed an outstanding meeting, with the opportunity for a variety of educational, scientific, and social events. Tom Taylor, Annual Session Chair, his committee members, and our splendid ACP staff did an excellent job in planning a meeting that offered something for all aspects of prosthodontic practice, whether clinical and scientific knowledge, practice management skills, or new commercial products. The College leadership established the goal to have our Annual Session be the premier prosthodontic meeting in this country, and Kansas City demonstrated that we are well on our way to achieving that goal. Congratulations to everybody involved! And make your plans now to attend next year's Annual Session in Orlando, November 5-8, 1997.

And if you were not in Kansas City, you missed the opportunity to appreciate first hand exactly what the American College of Prosthodontists is today - a dynamic organization dedicated to providing relevant services to its membership and actively addressing the issues facing our specialty today. A review of some of the things that occurred just before and during the Annual Session will help to demonstrate this point:

- Immediately prior to the Annual Session, Ken Turner, Ned Van Roekel, Steve Hines and myself attended the ADA meeting where we had the opportunity to interact with ADA leadership and officers of the other specialty organizations concerning high priority issues before the ADA such as the pending action on approving new specialties, continuing and expanding the ADA initiative on direct reimbursement, and restructuring of the Commission on Dental Accreditation.
- At our Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday October 1, President Turner led us

through a very productive day of business as we addressed such matters as strategic planning, public and professional relations, corporate partnering, graduate and undergraduate education, and prosthodontic practice issues among others.

- At the Wednesday opening session of the ACP House of Delegates, Dr. Jim Holtan was approved as the first Speaker of the House, a major milestone in the maturation

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of this key body of College governance. Dr. Holtan led the House through a very busy session that culminated in the election of Dr. Ken Kent as your new Speaker of the House. Congratulations, Ken!

- There were two first-time events that I want to mention because of their significance. Thanks to the generosity of Treloar & Heisel, the first student member breakfast was a great success. Over 80 students gathered for this event and enjoyed breakfast with College Officers as we shared with them our commitment to their futures in prosthodontics and the value we place in them as members of the College. We also hosted the first ever Past Presidents' Luncheon where the ACP Officers met with 12 past presidents of our organization and shared thoughts on issues of common concern. This was a grand opportunity for your current leaders to benefit from the wisdom unique to this very special group of individuals.
- The Annual Session also showcased the talents of the fine professional staff employed by the College. Steve Hines, our new Executive Director, was everywhere tending to the needs of the meeting, but also managed the time to meet many of you and learn firsthand the needs and concerns of our membership. Joanne Constantine, Director of Communications, was quite

busy generating publicity on the meeting including coordination of some 20 radio interviews to be used in the development of news stories on prosthodontics. Marsha Holub, Director of Membership, and Deborah Leja, Office Manager, kept the registration desk running smoothly and responded to all members' questions and requests. And, as always, Linda Wallenborn, Director of Meetings, was quite busy coordinating all aspects of the Annual Session.

One major piece of business conducted at the Annual Session was approval by the Board of Directors of an updated strategic plan for the College. As chairman of the Planning Committee for the past year, it was my responsibility to bring before the Board a strategic plan that reflects the most current needs and objectives of the American College of Prosthodontists. The Planning Committee worked diligently to produce a document that is timely, consistent with the mission of the ACP, and most importantly, relevant to the needs of our membership. The finished document contains eight major goals for the College with 37 specific objectives targeted for completion over the next five years.

Two key factors drove the formation of this document — the American College of Prosthodontists must operate on a sound and healthy financial basis and it must be acutely aware of and responsive to the needs and concerns of its membership. With these factors in mind and based on what we have heard from the members, we established as four of the highest priority goals the following:

- Increase public awareness and demand for prosthodontic services
- Enhance the image of the specialty of prosthodontics in the health professions
- Enhance communications with members and provide relevant membership services.
- Increase the amount of financial support to the College.

The thought of successfully achieving these goals is very exciting to me. However, none of this will be possible without a strong, thriving, and growing membership base. I challenge each of you to help us achieve the success we aim for by being active members, communicating with your leaders, building strong and active state sections, providing effective grass roots efforts to build and maintain strong membership, and communicating to the public and the profession the value of the specialty services we provide in our practices. Let's pull together and support the College and the specialty. The future of prosthodontics is bright! I am looking forward to a busy and productive year. ♦

Educators/Mentors Focus on Match Program

The Educators/Mentors Seminar brought together faculty members and program directors from around the nation and focused on some of the hottest issues facing postgraduate prosthodontic education today. The seminar was chaired by Dr. John R. Agar.

The majority of the discussion centered on the Postdoctoral Dental Matching Program. With about half of the programs presently represented in the Match program, at issue was its future use in prosthodontics.

A panel comprised of Dr. Carl J. Andres, Dr. Robert J. Cronin, Dr. F. Michael Gardner, and Dr. Gerald N. Graser discussed the pros and cons of the Match program followed by an open discussion moderated by Dr. Brien R. Lang. Some major points that were made include:

- The reason prosthodontics joined the Match Program in 1993 was to bring order and fairness to the application and selection process.
- The most frequently voiced objection to the Match Program has been that it will not work unless all or at least most programs participate. (Presently 23 programs participate)
- Some program directors were concerned about their loss of flexibility in the selection process if they join the Match.
- It was pointed out that the Match program eliminates many of the problems and reduces the time program directors must spend on the selection process.
- The importance of a uniform date for notifying applicants of acceptance into training programs was emphasized.
- The Match provides candidates the opportunity to interview all programs that they are interested in without having to make a commitment until the interview process is

completed. Likewise, it affords program directors the opportunity to interview all applicants they are interested in before feeling obligated to make a commitment to any applicant.

Mr. Elliott Peranson, the representative from the Match program clarified several points about the Match Program including how to include late candidates up to the match date.

Program directors or their representatives in attendance were asked to vote on a motion for a universal participation in the Match for all programs. This motion was approved by a 26 to 1 vote. The motion called for uniform participation to be in effect for the 1998-99 postdoctoral dental positions and all programs should be on the Match participation list by summer of 1997.

It was proposed that the ACP Board of Directors be asked to investigate and develop possible sanctions against programs that do not participate in Match or violate Match rules. The vote was 19 for and eight against or in abstention. It was also suggested that unique programs operating under special circumstances could be excused from participating in the Match program.

A great deal of discussion centered around the limited number of quality applicants and the number of training positions. A suggestion was made that the educators and mentors work with appropriate College committees to develop a strategy to improve the number and quality of applicants applying for prosthodontic residencies. Groups to target are dental students, general practice residents and advanced general dentistry programs.

Dr. Robert J. Cronin reviewed the ongoing effort by the Testing Committee of the American Board of Prosthodontics to develop

scientifically relevant questions for the Part I written examination. All program directors are invited by the American Board of Prosthodontics to submit both basic science and prosthodontic questions with five multiple choice answers with reference support for the correct answer. These questions should be sent to Dr. Charles J. Goodacre, Dr. Robert J. Cronin, or Dr. William Culpepper.

Dr. Ronald D. Woody led a discussion on various subjects of interest identified by program directors.

Dr. Woody discussed and clarified several accreditation issues. He informed the group that the Commission on Dental Accreditations has requested each specialty submit proposals for modifications and changes in the Standards for Specialty Education Programs by December, 1997. Evaluation and modernization of these standards to reflect our dynamic specialty should be a continuous process.

A participant expressed displeasure and asked why the ACP no longer sponsors the *Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry* for residents. This has recently been resolved through education funds provided by Nobel Biocare and the Editorial Committee of the *JPD* to provide the *JPD* to graduate prosthodontic students at a reduced fee (\$12).

Other issues discussed concerned curriculum time in a three year or thirty-three month program and the problems some programs are having with the three-year time schedule.

Directors and mentors of prosthodontic residencies want to share ideas and information. A roster of program directors will be sent to each director. Considerable interest was expressed about supporting issues that impact teaching and our specialty by those attending this seminar. ♦

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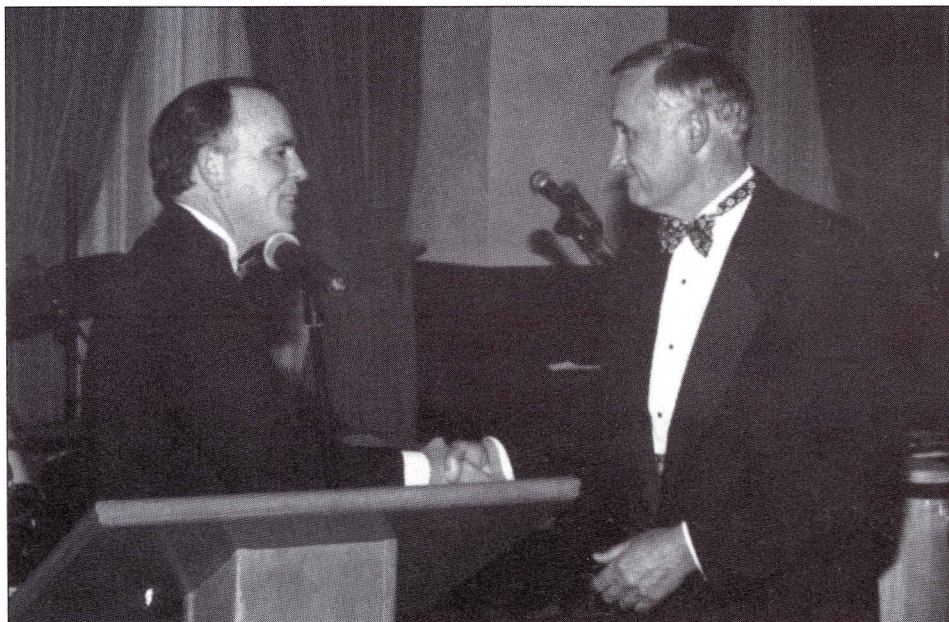
AAOMS/ACP Meeting Set for February

The American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS) in conjunction with the ACP will hold a Midwinter Conference February 7 - 9, 1997 in Chicago.

Complete registration materials and information are included with this month's mailing of the ACP Messenger. ACP Members will receive a reduced registration fee of \$450. ACP Life Fellows and Life Members will be charged a lower rate of \$225. ACP Student Members are invited to attend the meeting at no charge.

Make your plans now to attend this exciting joint conference featuring many ACP member speakers. ♦

College Acknowledges Members through Awards



Dr. John Burton (l) congratulates outgoing ACP President Dr. Ken Turner on an excellent year

The College honored several of its members during the Annual Session's Members Luncheon at the Hyatt Regency Crown Center on October 4, 1996. This year's luncheon was attended by over 200 people.

Awards were presented following some opening remarks from ACP President Dr. Kenneth Turner.

The Daniel F. Gordon Award was presented to Dr. Jack D. Preston. Dr. Preston is a Past President of the ACP and the ABP. At the USC School of Dentistry he currently chairs the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Imaging where he is also Director of Informatics. Dr. Peter Schärer was awarded Honorary Membership status in the College. For over 25 years, Dr. Schärer has been Chairman of the Department of Prosthodontics and Dental Materials at the Zurich Dental School. This year's Distinguished Lecturer Award was given to Dr. William R. Laney, a Life Fellow of the ACP. Dr. Laney is currently Editorial Chairman of the International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants and Professor Emeritus at the Mayo Clinic.

For their success in becoming Board certified, twenty-four College members were presented Diplomate certificates by Dr. Turner and Dr. Robert Staffanou, ABP President.

Thanks to a donation from Treloar and Heisel, Inc., the College was able to provide cash awards to the top table clinics presented during the 1996 Annual Session. Dr. Nancy Arbree, moderator of this year's Table Clinics, presented a \$500 first place award to Dr. Tom

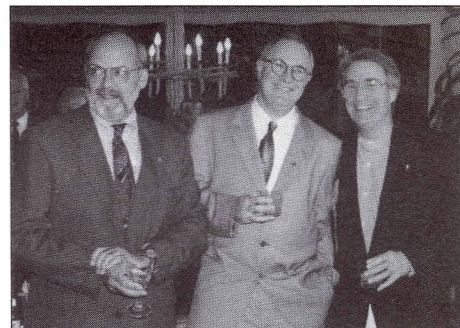
Hummert from UTHSC - San Antonio for "Characterization of Titanium Surfaces for In-Vitro Tissue Culture Studies." A second place award of \$300 was given to Dr. Marta Coronado and Joseph M. Mahon, both from UTHSC - San Antonio. Their table clinic was titled, "Electrical Discharge Machining in the Fabrication of Dental Implant Prosthesis." Third place and \$200 went to Dr. David Farley, also from UTHSC - San Antonio, for Effective Palatogram Assessment of Complete Denture Phonetics."

The six winners of the Procter & Gamble/ACP Research Fellowship in Complete Denture Prosthodontics were also announced during the ACP Member Luncheon. Procter and Gamble underwrote the fellowships with a \$30,000 contribution to the ACP Education Foundation. Each winner receives a \$5,000 fellowship to support his or her research for the next year. The recipients of this year's fellowships are:

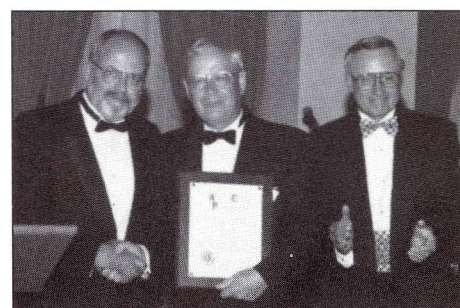
Dr. Abdulhadi A. Abanomy
"Molecular Characterization of Residual Ridge Soft Tissue (RRST)"
Harvard School of Dental Medicine

Dr. Donna T. Finocchiaro
"An Investigation of Occlusal Patterns in Newly Inserted Complete Dentures"
Tufts University School of Dental Medicine

Dr. Mohamed Moataz Khamis
"A Study of the Effect of Different Occlusal Scheme in Edentulous Implant Patients"
University of Pittsburgh, School of Dental Medicine



Drs. Thomas Taylor (l to r), Kenneth Malament, and James Lord



Professor Peter Schärer (middle) received Honorary Membership in the College



Dr. Tom Hummert (r) received the First Place award in Table Clinics

Dr. Ali Parvizi
"Comparison of the Adaptation and Dimensional Stability of Injection Molded Denture Base Materials to That of Conventional Pressure-Pack Acrylic Resin"
University of Iowa College of Dentistry

Dr. Carlos Tello
"In Vitro and In Vivo Evaluation of Complex Carbohydrates as Potential Denture Adhesives"
Baylor College of Dentistry

Dr. Ian P. van Zyl
"Creep Compliance Testing of Permanent Soft Denture Liners"
University of Detroit Mercy Dental School ♦



Private Practice Seminar

The annual Private Practice Seminar took place on Wednesday, October 2 immediately before the 1996 ACP Annual Session. Dr. Thomas J. Balshi, Chairman of the Private Practice Committee, functioned as Moderator. Almost eighty registrants attended this year's seminar.

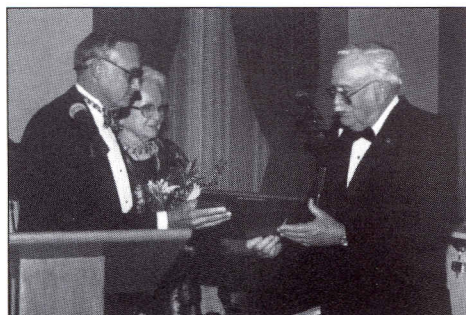
The morning session was presented by Dr. Milton Palat, DDS, JD who is an Associate Professor and the Chairman of the Department of Periodontics at New York University. The title of his session was "Practice Management and Malpractice Avoidance in Implant Dentistry." Dr. Palat reiterated the common theme that communication is necessary between the patient and the doctor. Patients need to be fully informed of all of the risks and benefits of treatment and sign the informed consent form as a means of protection for the treating doctor.

Dr. Palat presented an interesting individual profile for the most common patients who bring litigation against dentists. He also discussed the

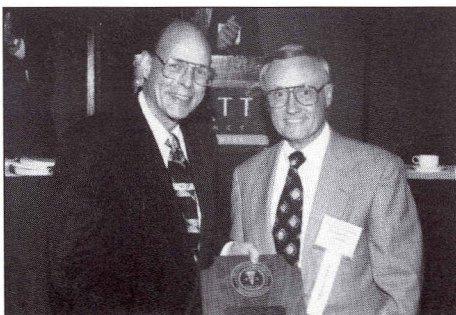
most significant factors leading to loss of cases by practicing dentists. This seminar proved to provide important information to help protect prosthodontists from uncomfortable legal situations.

The afternoon session was presented by Lori S. Misch, CDA, RDA from Images for Marketing based in Michigan. Ms. Misch's seminar entitled "Dynamics of Implant Practice Development" covered the intricacies of referrals to an implant prosthodontic practice, and which type of referrals are most likely to follow through with treatment. She discussed the need for properly training the staff to be knowledgeable and positive about the benefits of dental implant treatment for patients.

The all day Private Practice Seminar proved to be a worthwhile educational experience for those who attended. It is expected that all participants will be able to implement much of the information that was presented to make their practices both safer and more productive in providing implant prosthodontics to their patients. ♦



Dr. Turner (l) presents the ACP President's Award to Dr. Robert Sproull and his wife, Peggy



The recipient of this year's Daniel Gordon Award was Dr. Jack Preston (l)

New Fellows of the American College of Prosthodontists



Top row (l to r): Drs. Wayne Barker, James Parker, David Hill, Michael Turck, Douglas Erickson, Gregory Morando, David Felton; Middle (l to r): Drs. David Carrier, Daniel Bailey, Lawrence Green, Steven Scheller, Johanna Romo, Timothy Peterson, Lyndon Cooper; Bottom row (l to r): Drs. Patrick Mattie, Barbara King, Gary Braun, Mark Exler, Gerald Santulli, Betty Galvan, John Murrell

Kansas City Wrap-up

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Dr. Kenneth Turner (r) with his wife, Sue, and Dr. Donald Brunton reminisce at the Re-Acquaintance Cocktail Reception

the opening session of the ACP House of Delegates, the Board Preparation Course, the Private Practice Seminar and special limited lectures given by Dr. John Kois and Dr. Charles Goodacre. Many of the Annual Session events are detailed in articles throughout this month's issue of the *Messenger*.

Several of this year's social events featured Kansas City favorites. The Welcome to Kansas City Dinner was at an award-winning steak house and Kansas City Kasual included a barbecue buffet and country line dancing. The final social event of the Session was the gala President's Dinner held in the Arrowhead Club at Arrowhead Stadium. Dr. Ken Turner presented the ACP President's Award to Dr. Robert Sproull for his many years of service to the College.

While attending the Annual Session's excellent scientific program, many took the opportunity to review the more than twenty table clinics displayed. The Exhibit Hall had more than 125 representatives from forty-nine companies. Since commercial exhibitors provide the bulk of the financial support necessary to offer a variety of qualified speakers at Annual Sessions, meeting registrants are always encouraged to visit the Exhibit Hall. This year's visitors participated in a bookmark giveaway resulting in six winners going home with free registration to the 1997 Annual Session in Orlando, Florida. The winners were:

Dr. Jack Meyer - Temple, TX
Dr. Glenn Wolfinger - Ft. Washington, PA
Dr. Wayne A. Gardner - San Antonio, TX
Dr. David W. Casagrande - Billings, MT
Dr. Mark Y. Wang - Boston, MA
Dr. Paul Biegler - Belleville, IL

Be sure to mark your calendars for next year. The 1997 ACP Annual Session will be held November 5-8 at the Renaissance Orlando Resort in Orlando, Florida. ♦

Board Preparation Course

Over 160 participants attended the Board Preparation Course at the Annual Session in Kansas City. The course was introduced by Dr. Kenneth Turner, then-President of the American College of Prosthodontists. He stressed that Board Certification is the driving force of our specialty of prosthodontics and its importance for future viability of the specialty. Members in various stages in the certification process were the main audience. Each participant received a preview of the 1996 Guidelines for the Certifying Examination, the Study Guide for Board Certification and course outline.

The main areas covered in the Board Preparation Course and their presenters were:

- **Occlusion Theory vs. Materials Theory - Differential Study Methods**

Dr. Dennis Weir

- **Implant Theory**

Dr. F. Michael Gardner

- **Removable Prosthodontics**

Dr. Madeline Kurrasch

- **Fixed Prosthodontics**

Dr. Susan Brackett

- **Maxillofacial Prosthetics**

Dr. Jonathan Wiens

- **Photography**

Dr. Richard Leupold

The patient treatment presentations were:

- **Part 2 patient presentation**

Dr. Kevin Goheen

- **Part 3 Fixed patient presentation**

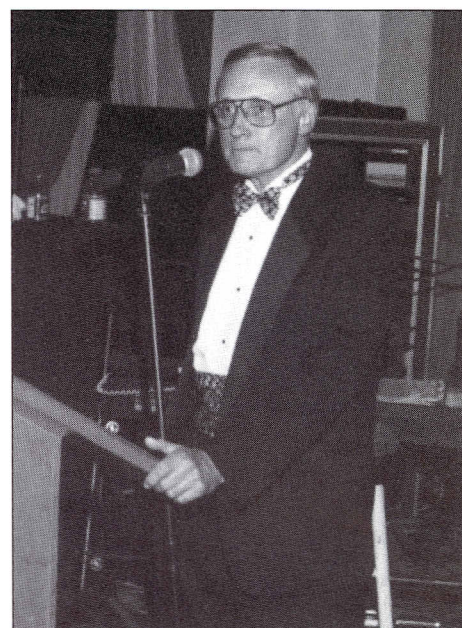
Dr. Allan Linehan

- **Part 4 Removable patient presentation**

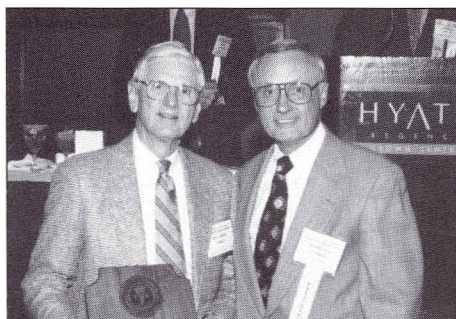
Dr. Hiroshi Hirayama

The participants were introduced to the latest modifications to the Board format. Dr. Robert Staffanou, President of the American Board of Prosthodontics (ABP), encouraged all candidates to challenge the board exam and discussed the high pass rate of the most recent exam. Dr. William Culpepper, Executive Director of the ABP, explained the application process.

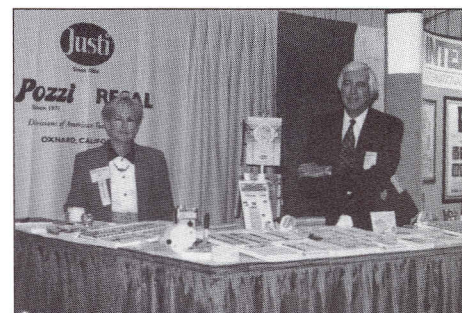
The presentations by recent successful candidates showed the participants that with good preparation and thoughtful diagnosis, the passing of the board is an attainable goal for all board eligible prosthodontists. The luncheon and discussion periods gave candidates a chance to access their progress toward board certification. The reviews of the major areas of prosthodontics were well received. It was a rewarding day for all participants. ♦



Dr. Turner reflects on his year as ACP President during the President's Dinner



Distinguished Lecturer Award Winner Dr. William Laney is congratulated by Dr. Turner



Exhibitors offered much to examine and explore

New ACP Officers and Board Members standing (l to r): Dr. Frederick Muenchinger, Director, Section Division; Dr. Thomas Taylor, Vice President; Dr. Richard Jones, Treasurer; Dr. Kenneth Turner, Immediate Past President seated (l to r): Dr. Ned Van Roekel, President-Elect; Dr. John Burton, President; Dr. Mohammad Mazaheri, Secretary; Dr. Ivy Schwartz, Director, Membership Division not shown: Dr. Robert Flinton, Director, Judicial Division



Undergraduate Curriculum Focus of College Symposium

On October 2, 1996, ACP sponsored the "Workshop on Predoctoral Prosthodontic Curriculum." This workshop was attended by participants nominated by the Prosthodontic Forum organizations who represented seventeen different dental schools from fifteen different states, private practice, and commercial dentistry in the United States and Canada. The goal of this workshop was to review the Curriculum Guidelines as published by the AADS, and define the current status of the basic predoctoral prosthodontic curriculum in the areas of removable prosthodontics, fixed prosthodontics, implants, maxillofacial prosthodontics and TMD. The draft version of the ACP Classification System was reviewed.

The report from this workshop will be presented to the Fixed and Removable Prosthodontic Sections of the AADS in Orlando for further recommendations and revisions.

The ultimate document produced by the collaborative efforts of the ACP, the Prosthodontic Forum organizations and the AADS will be utilized by various dental schools as a reference document for the development of predoctoral prosthodontic curriculum. This effort should have a major impact upon the new dentist as he or she faces a changing world population and expanding technologies.

The College is grateful for the extraordinary efforts of the facilitators: Drs. Arthur Nimmo, Joseph Cooney, Nancy Arbree, Don Curtis, Robert Saporito, Jerry Woolsey, Jack Gerrow (consultant), and participants which included Drs. Edward M. Amet, Stephen Aquilino, Stephen D. Campbell, Lily T. Garcia, David Felton, James Lord, Mark Marunick, Frank Panno, Mark Richards, Stephen Rosensteil, Richard Seals, John Sorensen, and Daniel Tylka. ♦

Foundation Report

Sharry Award Highlights Research Activity

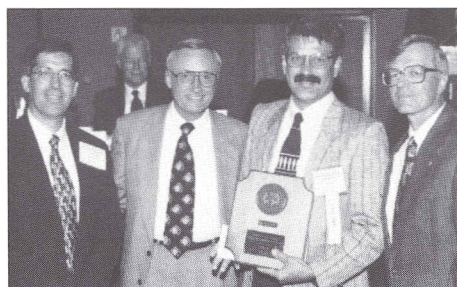
The three finalists in the annual John J. Sharry Prosthodontic Research Competition presented their original research at the ACP Annual Session in Kansas City.

The first place award was presented to Dr. Geoffrey W. Sheen from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry for "Tensile and Shear Strengths of Several Bonding Systems Following Various Surface Treatments of A High Strength All-Ceramic Core Material."

Second place went to Dr. Alan J. Sutton from Wilford Hall Medical Center, Lackland Air Force Base for "Sprue Design Effects on Castability and Porosity of Titanium RPDs."

Dr. Jose J. Villalobos also from Wilford Hall Medical Center won third place for "Potassium and Rubidium Ion Exchange of a Leucite-Reinforced Porcelain."

All three finalists were flown to Kansas City to present their papers and received recognition plaques which were presented during the Annual Members Luncheon. Additionally, cash awards were given of \$1,250 for first place,



Dr. Geoffrey Sheen (second from right) was awarded first place in the Sharry Competition. He is shown here with (from left) Dr. Steven Aquilino, Dr. Ken Turner, and Dr. Carl Schuller.

\$750 for second place, and \$500 for third place. Matching cash awards were also given to each institution where the student winners were receiving their postgraduate education.

This year the Sharry Competition was underwritten by Nobel Biocare USA, Inc. who provided the funding for the cash awards as well as the finalists' travel expenses. The College gratefully acknowledges their generous support of prosthodontic research. ♦

The American Board of Prosthodontics

The February examination is currently planned for February 16-19, 1997 in Chicago, IL. The examination will be given in the ADA building. Individuals who plan to participate must have registered with the Executive Director of the American Board of Prosthodontics prior to January 1, 1997. The number of candidates involved with various parts of the examination may make it necessary to extend the period of the examination and to use consultants. It is essential that the consultants be notified at least six weeks prior to the examination. Please contact Dr. Culpepper if you require information about the examination or would like to receive the form for making reservations. ♦

The Council for the Affairs of the American Board of Prosthodontics passed a resolution making it possible to nominate a candidate for the American Board of Prosthodontics election by petition. Any Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics may nominate another Diplomate by obtaining the signatures of 25 additional Diplomates in supporting the nomination. The completed petition, a letter of recommendation from the sponsor of the petition, and a curriculum vitae must be mailed to the Chair of the Council for the Affairs of the American Board of Prosthodontics prior to September first of the election year. ♦

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Scholarship Winners Announced

The American College of Prosthodontists Education Foundation awarded \$2500 scholarships to two dental students. The presentations were made during the Annual Members Luncheon during the 1996 ACP Annual

Session. The scholarship winners are Dr. William C. Martin from Baylor College of Dentistry and Dr. Charles S. Schmitt from UTHSC at San Antonio. ♦

National Search for JOP Section Editors

Topics of Interest and Clinical Reports Applications are being accepted for two new Section Editors for the *Journal of Prosthodontics*. The positions require the management and coordination of the peer review of manuscripts that deal with subjects of broad interest to prosthodontics and reports on unique clinical situations that relate to the diagnosis or treatment of prosthodontic patients.

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. All applicants should include:

- a letter detailing specialty training and clinical practice background

- a curriculum vitae
- copies of publications in peer-reviewed journals that evidence relevant knowledge and experience

An honorary stipend is awarded the Section Editor, individualized correspondence materials are furnished, and reimbursement for related expenses is provided.

Deadline for applications is December 31, 1996. Selection will be made by January 15, 1997. Please send applications to:
Patrick M. Lloyd, DDS, MS
Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Prosthodontics*
The University of Iowa College of Dentistry
Dental Science Building
Iowa City, IA 52242-1001 ♦

German Prosthodontics Society Affiliation Sought

At the invitation of the Executive Council of the German Society of Prosthodontics, representatives of the American College of Prosthodontists traveled to Tübingen, Germany to discuss an affiliation with the *Journal of Prosthodontics*. A formal presentation was made by Drs. Kenneth A. Turner, President of the ACP and Patrick M. Lloyd, Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Prosthodontics*.

The German Society of Prosthodontics (GPS) is Germany's oldest and largest prosthodontic organization. It has over 600 active members, the majority of whom are in private practice, while others have academic or research interest in prosthodontics.

The GPS was favorably disposed to the fundamental offerings and principles of the College's proposal. There was, however, considerable discussion as to what role the GPS might be able to play in the editorial process and policy determination of the *Journal*. To accommodate this need and to establish a precedent for other prosthodontic organizations from around the world that may become interested in affiliating with the *JOP*, it was proposed that international editorial board positions be created. These board members would serve the *Journal* by soliciting manuscripts from authors in their respective countries and by participating in the peer review process. Furthermore, they would assist in securing new readers and additional advertising revenue.



Meeting at Zentrum für Zahn-, Mund- und Kieferheilkunde, Universität Tübingen, Germany to discuss an affiliation with the German Society of Prosthodontics were (l to r) Drs. Patrick M. Lloyd; Heiner Weber, President of the European Association of Prosthodontics; Kenneth Turner; Klaus M. Lehmann, Vice President the German Society of Prosthodontics; and Joerg R. Strub, Secretary the German Society of Prosthodontics

According to Dr. Lloyd, "This entire negotiating process has made it quite evident that the ACP must engage itself in the international marketplace. The future viability of the *Journal* is dependent on reaching new authors, subscribers, and advertisers."

Negotiations are underway to further refine an agreement between the ACP and the GPS that will satisfy the needs of both organizations, while simultaneously strengthening the integrity of the *Journal*. ♦

Point/CounterPoint

Should prosthodontists be considered primary care providers?

College members who would like to respond to the question posed should submit a typed and double spaced position statement not to exceed 250 words by December 15, 1996. The *ACP Messenger* reserves the right to edit all communications. Please include your name and address with submission and mail or FAX to:

Point/Counterpoint Section
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Finagin Runs for ADA President

ACP member Dr. William Finagin has announced his candidacy for the position of President of the American Dental Association.

The ACP Board of Directors has endorsed Dr. Finagin's candidacy and followed up with campaign contributions of \$5,000 this year and next.

Dr. Finagin is currently an ADA Trustee. The election for ADA President will occur during the ADA Annual Session in October, 1997 in Washington, DC. ♦

House of Delegates

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Sections

- Effective January 1, 1998 there will only be one official section per state
- An At-Large section will be created for any Fellows or Members who are not eligible to be a member of a recognized section. The At-Large Section will be entitled to at least one delegate.

Annual Session

- A cancellation policy was approved to address issues related to refunds of Annual Session registration fees and ticket purchases.
- A policy on complimentary registration fees and tickets was also approved

Administrative

- The 1997 proposed budget for the College was approved ♦

Sections

California Section Names Award Winners

The California Section of the American College of Prosthodontists is pleased to announce the winners of the 1996 Undergraduate Achievement Awards. The awards were presented to outstanding undergraduate students who have shown high academic and clinical proficiency in prosthodontics. Each winner received a plaque and a check for \$200. The students honored were:

Vivian Ok Hee Kwon

Loma Linda University

Donna Kim Barpal

University of California, San Francisco

Mark Sarkis Deukmedjian

University of Pacific

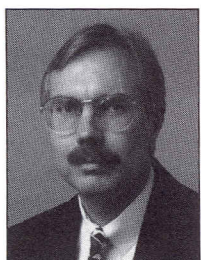
Gregory Lee Trnavsky

University of Southern California ♦



The Florida-based L.D. Pankey Institute for Advanced Dental Education has awarded research funding to two second-year prosthodontics residents at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. Recipients are David W. Farley, DDS (second from left) and Derek S. Hopkins, DMD (fourth from left). At the check presentation in San Antonio were (l-r) research mentor Dr. Mauli Agrawal, Farley, Dr. Jack Shirley from the Pankey Institute, Hopkins, Dr. John Schmitz from oral surgery at the San Antonio Dental School, and Dr. Robert J. Cronin, Jr., program director for postdoctoral prosthodontics at the San Antonio Dental School.

Members in the News



Patrick M. Lloyd

Patrick M. Lloyd has accepted an appointment as Chair, Department of Family Dentistry at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. The Family Dentistry Department at UI provides comprehensive care training for

fourth year dental students and is responsible for the Advanced Education in General Dentistry program.

Dr. Lloyd joins the University of Iowa after having twenty-five years of continuous association with his alma mater, Marquette University — as an undergraduate, a dental and graduate student, and a dental school faculty member. He completed his tenure at Marquette University as an Associate Professor in the Department of Restorative Sciences and the Director of its Special Patient Clinic.

Dr. Lloyd was the National Coordinator for Geriatric Dental Programs for the Department of Veterans Affairs before he became a faculty member at Marquette University. He credits the DVA for having

given him the opportunity to develop his interest and clinical skills in geriatric prosthodontics.

As Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Prosthodontics*, Dr. Lloyd's relocation to the University of Iowa will require a move of the Editorial Office. All correspondence regarding the *Journal* should be addressed to: Patrick M. Lloyd, DDS, MS Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Prosthodontics* The American College of Prosthodontists The University of Iowa College of Dentistry Dental Science Building Iowa City, IA 52242-1001



Carl A. Hansen

Effective March 1996, **Dr. Carl A. Hansen** assumed the position of Acting Chairman, Department of Prosthodontics at the University of Florida College of Dentistry. Dr. Hansen retired from the U.S. Army Dental Corps in 1985. He has

been involved in graduate prosthodontics for many years both in the Army and at the

University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Dentistry. He has been on the prosthodontics faculty in Florida since 1993.



Robert A. Saporito

Dr. Robert A. Saporito has been appointed Acting Dean of the New Jersey Dental School and Chairperson of the Department of General and Hospital Dentistry at University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey

(UMDNJ). For the past two years, Dr. Saporito has served as Acting Chairperson of the department. He is also a Clinical Professor at UMDNJ.

Dr. Saporito earned his DDS at Columbia University's School of Dental and Oral Surgery and completed a post graduate residency in Prosthodontics at New York University's College of Dentistry. He recently completed a term on the ACP Board of Directors and has chaired several College committees. ♦

ACP Approves Position Statement on Denturism

In October, the ACP Board of Directors approved the following position statement presented by the Denturism Subcommittee. The committee, chaired by Dr. Catherine Lach, has also recently surveyed all state dental societies on the subject. The results of this survey will be incorporated into a database of contact personnel in each state which can be used to work cooperatively on issues related to denturism.

The American College of Prosthodontists supports the concept of an oral health care delivery team and the use of dental auxiliaries to expand opportunities for oral health care access and cost control. The American College of Prosthodontists opposes "Denturism," the practice of dentistry by laboratory technicians.

The American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) advocates the highest standards in the diagnosis of oral diseases or debilitations, and the treatment of these conditions. The purpose of this ACP policy is to oppose circumstances that may compromise the quality of patient dental care.

The ACP believes that the relationship of the dentist and auxiliaries must respect the following principles of oral health care:

Education, examination processes, and the application of learned skills make the dentist best qualified to direct the dental health care delivery team. The dentist by virtue of the foregoing is the one prepared to provide a comprehensive differential diagnosis of the oral health status, to plan and provide treatment, to

refer patients as necessary to another dentist or specialist, and to delegate specific treatment to a qualified dental auxiliary under supervision.

The practice of dentistry by auxiliaries, without the benefit of a formal education in dentistry in an accredited dental school, without the supervision of their functions by a dentist, and without the benefit of diagnosis of oral health care problems, is the practice of dentistry below the standard of care, and a potential liability to the oral health of patients.

The American College of Prosthodontists opposes "Denturism", which is the practice of dentistry by laboratory technicians who do all intra- and extraoral procedures to fabricate removable prostheses, because:

The ACP believes that the practice of "Denturism" by inadequately trained laboratory technicians will compromise the oral health of patients with dental treatment below the established standard of care. Oral prostheses should be evaluated by a single standard of care as established in dentistry.

The training of a dental laboratory technician does not include many elements of a formal dental education including, but not limited to, the basic sciences, oral pathology, differential diagnosis and treatment planning, the treatment of dental conditions, the alteration of oral structures, and intraoral clinical procedures. Dental laboratory training exclu-

sively pertains to the laboratory procedures necessary to fabricate a prosthesis, not the diagnosis of the oral condition, or to the intraoral procedures necessary to fabricate, deliver, evaluate and monitor a prosthesis.

There is no evidence that the ACP is aware of at this time that denturists provide a comparable service to patients at a lower fee, or provide increased access to dental care.

There is no demonstrated need that the treatment of partial or full edentulism can not be met by general dentists or specialists.

In the view of the ACP, denturists are attempting to expand treatment to areas involving teeth and implants, which are more complex restorations than dentures, and may involve alteration of teeth and tissue. Partial and implant prostheses can be damaging to the patient if incorrectly fabricated. This can result in oral health care below the established standard of care.

The practice of denturism is legal in some states: Arizona, Idaho, Maine, Montana, Oregon, Colorado and Washington. The ACP recognizes the sovereignty of these states and their laws, and supports compliance with these laws. However, the ACP opposes the principle of denturism, its present existence even where legal, and any attempted expansion of the scope of this practice. ♦

Announcements

Call for Papers for Oral Presentation at 1997 Annual Session

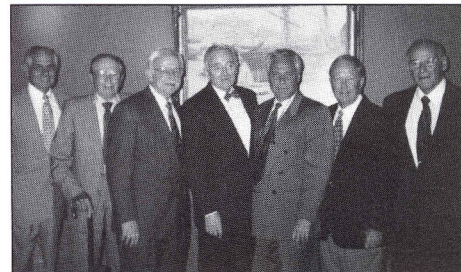
Do you have a unique procedure or a time-saving technique that you would be willing to share with your colleagues? At the 1997 ACP Annual Session, a half day will be devoted to clinical techniques of prosthodontic practice and laboratory procedures. It is our plan to provide a series of 20-minute presentations by our members to our members wherein we "share" what works in our office. At this time, the guidelines are as follows:

- Presentations must be directed to clinical practice with an emphasis on technique rather than theory or philosophy.
 - Papers will be presented at the main podium.
- This is an excellent opportunity for members to present in a structured format and we anticipate a strong response.

Any ACP member may submit an abstract for a 20-minute presentation at the 1997 Annual Session. This presentation must be directed to clinical practice with an emphasis on technique rather than theory or philosophy and should address topics that will allow the audience to return to their practice with specific clinical knowledge.

Abstracts are due by January 1, 1997 and should be mailed to: Dr. Tom, McGarry, 1997 Annual Session Chair, 4320 McAuley Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK 73120 or faxed to him at (405) 755-7169.

If you have other questions or need additional information, you can call either the ACP office at (312) 573-1260 or Dr. Tom McGarry's office at (405) 755-7777. ♦



On June 27th, the Advanced Education Program in Prosthodontics from New York University held its 45th annual graduation dinner at the prestigious National Arts Club in Gramercy Park, NY. Ninety-five alumni, faculty and students attended the dinner where Dr. Gary Goldstein, the Program Director, presented the Adisman Boot to Dr. David Jacobowitz and the Klein Kicker to Dr. Augusto Rodriguez. The program is proud that all living past Directors were in attendance. The Directors of the NYU AEPP shown from left to right: Dr. Francis V. Panno, Dr. Ira Klein, Dr. Sidney Silverman, Dr. Jack Kabcenell, Dr. Gary Goldstein - Current Director, Dr. Noel Wilkie, Dr. I. Kenneth Adisman.

Meetings and Conferences Calendar

February 7-9, 1997

AAOMS Midwinter Conference held in conjunction with the ACP

Chicago Marriott Downtown, Chicago, IL
Contact: AAOMS

February 19-20, 1997

American Equilibration Society's Annual Meeting

Chicago Marriott Hotel, Chicago, IL
Contact: AES at (847) 965-2888

February 20-22, 1997

American Prosthodontic Society

Annual Scientific Meeting
Hyatt Regency Chicago
Contact: Dr. Alan Keyes, (312) 664-3057

February 21-22, 1997

American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics

Annual Scientific Program
Marriott Downtown Hotel, Chicago, IL
Contact: Dr. Robert S. Staffanou (707) 875-3040

February 22-23, 1997

American Academy of Restorative Dentistry

Drake Hotel, Chicago, IL
Contact:

April 18-20, 1997

9th Annual National Conference on Special Care Issues in Dentistry

Hotel Intercontinental, Chicago, IL Contact: Federation on Special Care Organizations in Dentistry, (312) 440-2660.

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 15, 1997

ACP Forum Meeting

Renaissance Orlando Resort, Orlando, Florida. Contact: ACP, (312) 573-1260.

September 18-22, 1997

ACP Research Symposium

Omni Hotel
Chicago, Illinois
Contact: ACP, (312) 573-1260

November 2-5, 1997

**American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics
45th Annual Meeting**

Renaissance Orlando Resort, Orlando, FL. Contact: Dr. Thomas Cowper, (216) 444-2084.

Academic Opportunities

Iowa - University of Iowa's College of Dentistry is currently conducting a search for a full-time faculty position in the Department of Family Dentistry. Major responsibilities include clinical didactic teaching in a multi-disciplinary clinic, research, and intramural practice participation. The position starting date is negotiable; screening begins immediately. Requires DDS/DMD from an ADA accredited institution and prosthodontic training. A general practice residency in dentistry is desirable. Academic rank/salary will be commensurate with qualifications/experience. Submit CV and three letters of recommendation to: Dr. Patrick Lloyd, DDS, MS, Chair, Department of Family Dentistry, College of Dentistry, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242-1001. University of Iowa is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer; women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

Wisconsin - Marquette University School of Dentistry has a full-time, tenure track faculty position in the Department of Restorative Sciences at the assistant and/or associate professor level available effective January 1, 1997 (starting date negotiable). Duties include research activity and teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Candidates must have completed an advanced education program in prosthodontics and/or have advanced training and experience in geriatrics and treating patients with special needs. The successful candidate should also have previous teaching and research experience. Graduation from an ADA accredited dental school is required. Applicants must hold valid dental license in some state or jurisdiction. Rank and salary commensurate with training and experience. Interested individuals should submit curriculum vitae to: Ms. Susan Dalsasso, Assistant to the Dean, Administrative Services, Marquette University, School of Dentistry, P.O. Box 1881, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881. Application Deadline: January 20, 1997. Marquette University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer.

Practice Opportunities Available

Established solo prosthodontic practice in south Denver suburb is seeking an associate leading to partnership in one year and buyout within eight years. Currently scheduling 3 months in advance. Beautiful 1860 sf suite with 4 operatories and lab. Located in a medical/dental building with outstanding access, parking and views. Equipment and leaseholds new in 1990. Applicant must have certificate or be graduating from an accredited

program. Send resume to: K. Lee Kuhlke, DDS, MS, 3601 S. Clarkson St., Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80110.

Florida - West Coast: Private, 15-year-old, solo practice in one of country's best implant markets being sold due to owner's disability. Located in beautiful urban waterfront setting with outstanding recreational opportunities and good private schools. Diversification of practice with cleft palate team, professional sports injury rehab, etc. makes for rewarding professional experience. Expansion of physical plant possible for two doctors to split shift if desired. Practice has included extensive crown and bridge, complete/partial dentures, implant rehabilitation, and all cosmetic procedures. Excellent market for prosthodontist who could add maxillofacial abilities to the practice. Seller will stay 3-6 months for transition. Experienced, friendly staff. Please send resume and/or introductory letter to Box M1, c/o ACP, 211 E. Chicago Ave., Suite 1000, Chicago, IL 60611.

For Sale

For Sale: Set of the Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry from 1952 through 1992, 99% complete. Cost is \$5,000. Asking \$4,000. Perfect for Prostho post-grad student. Also available: JADA from April 1984 through present. Make me an offer! Call evenings (212) 685-6291, leave message.

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Mark your Calendars for Future ACP Meetings

1997 Annual Session

November 5 - 8
Renaissance Orlando Resort
Orlando, FL

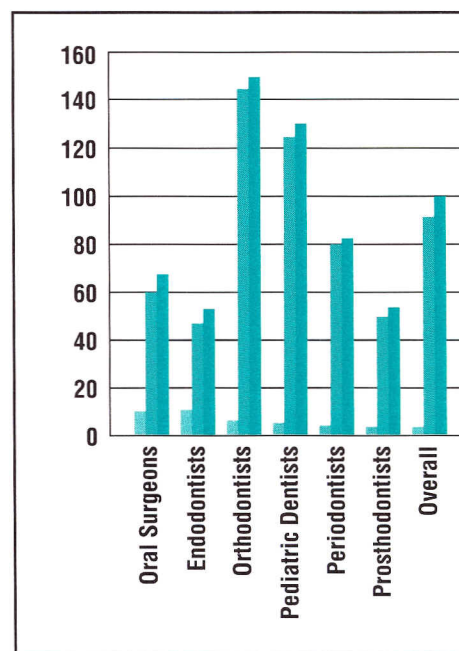
1998 Annual Session

September 16 - 19
Sheraton San Diego Hotel and Marina
San Diego, CA

1999 Annual Session

October 20-23
New York Hilton
New York, NY

Number of Appointments and Patient Visits per week, for Specialists



Legend:
■ Walk-in and Emergency Visits
■ Scheduled Visits Actually Treated
■ Total Visits Treated

Source: American Dental Association, Survey Center, 1993 Survey of Dental Practice-Specialists in Private Practice