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NPAW- an opportunity for celebration of what we truly love!

Since its inception 4 years ago, National Prosthodontics Awareness Week continues to generate a greater level of recognition of Prosthodontics and Prosthodontists by the general public, dental students as well as our fellow medical and dental colleagues. The 'P' in NPAW is altruistically termed for Prosthodontics and not Prosthodontists. We are a dedicated group of specialists who truly care about what prosthodontics can do for our patients and the general public. It is only natural that we care about spreading *awareness* of our specialty.

While the quality and quantity of activities reported by members, for the week of NPAW is evidently remarkable, it is important to understand that activities dedicated to raising awareness of Prosthodontics is a year round event and should be taking place throughout the year! NPAW simply serves as a time where we can all synchronize our activities to and celebrate of all the activities by prosthodontists nationally! The result is a sum greater than the individual activities taken in isolation.

As co-chairs we would like to thank all ACP members for having dedicated your time and effort in raising the awareness of Prosthodontics once again this year! We will continue to seek your interest and help in celebrating something we all truly love and live for!

Thank you!

Avi & Larry Avinash S. Bidra and Lawrence E. Brecht NPAW Co-Chairs 2013

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ACP Activities Summary: 2013 National Prosthodontics Awareness Week

Pro Bono Care/Oral Health and/or Cancer Screenings

- <u>Connecticut:</u> Dr. Bruce Nghiem celebrates NPAW year-round by working with Donated Dental Services. In the past two years he has completed two complete full mouth rehabilitations.
- <u>Iowa:</u> University of Iowa Graduate Prosthodontics program made dentures all week for homeless/in need patients.
- <u>Maryland:</u> Members of the Maryland Section hosted an oral cancer screening and caries detection for families at the Esperaza health center. The section also donated \$500 in dental supplies to the center. 50 patients were screened.
 - Dr. Sinada hosted a free oral screening at the Milton J. Dance Jr. Head and Neck Center and Greater Baltimore Medical Campus. 25-30 individuals were screened.
- <u>Massachusetts:</u> Dr. Steven Spitz held a free oral cancer screening event and made a
 donation to the charities of two prize winners. All screened participants chose their
 favorite charity to win \$500.
 - o Dr. Vincent Mariano provided complimentary prosthodontic consultations through April.

Multi-Media

- Numerous States: Members attached the NPAW logo to their outgoing emails.
- <u>California:</u> Dr. Anthony Montella sent out an educational press release about prosthodontics and NPAW.
 - Dr. David Pfeifer published an article in the Rossmoor News regarding NPAW, prosthodontists and dental hygienists. He also provided a complimentary examination and oral cancer screening.
- <u>Colorado:</u> ClearChoice Dental Implants posted about NPAW and the ACP on their blog.
- <u>Connecticut:</u> Four weeks prior to NPAW week, graduate students identified over 300 local orthopedic surgeons, plastic surgeons, dieticians, dermatologists, cosmetologists, radio stations, and TV stations to send informative letters to, describing Prosthodontics as a specialty and the events of NPAW week.
- <u>Georgia:</u> The Fort Gordon Signal Newspaper recognized NPAW by publishing in informational article about their base prosthodontic team and defining the specialty and the procedures prosthodontist are responsible for.
- New Jersey: Monitors were set up throughout the UMDNJ NJ Dental School about NPAW with before and after photos.
- New York: Dr. Lawrence Brecht appeared live on SiriusXM satellite radio two hour Doctor Radio program answering listener questions and educating the public about the specialty.
 - o Columbia University posted information regarding NPAW on electronic billboards throughout the hospital center.
 - Or. Fransiskus Andrianto, pros resident is also president of the Indonesian Network at Columbia and was interviewed by the *Jakarta Globe* and spoke about the spoke about the specialty.

- The Manhattan VA posted a video to Facebook about a WWII Veteran who has been under the care of Drs. Bruce Valauri and Stephen Bergen for many years.
- o The presentation of the NPAW proclamation by Mayor Brown of Buffalo aired on the Government Channel for a week during the month of April.
- <u>Puerto Rico:</u> The Prosthodontics Association of Puerto Rico celebrated NPAW with the ACP. The groups were interviewed on television three times and spoke about and showed images of the work that prosthodontist do.

Open Houses

• <u>Pennsylvania:</u> Dr. Balshi and Dr. Wolfinger (Pi Dental Center) hosted an open house for the public with mini-lectures, tours, free consultations, festive refreshments and giveaways.

Community Outreach

Public Presentations

- <u>California:</u> Dr. Anthony Montella spoke to college bound high school students about the rewards of a career in dentistry and prosthodontics. Siting the US News and World Report Best Jobs report.
- <u>Connecticut:</u> All graduate residents participated in a University of Connecticut Health Center health fair. Residents answered questions and provided information about Prosthodontics to the over 1,200 laypeople and hospital staff that attended the fair.
- <u>Florida</u>: Dr. Richard Aguila hosted a patient seminar featuring oral health issues, dental implants and past patients.
- <u>Massachusetts:</u> Drs. Joshua Kleederman and Michael Williams held a patient education seminar on dental implants, and dental implant technology.
- New York: NYU, Montefiore and the Manhattan VA participated in a NYC Cancer Walk on April 21st and raised money for the Oral Cancer Foundation.
 - o Dr. Igor Gerzon provided posters and other NPAW promotional items for the resident programs to promote NPAW.
 - Dr. Frank LaMar held patient education seminars on dental implants, proper oral health, oral cancer detection and how to best care for missing teeth.
 - o Dr. Ronald Sambursky held a patient education seminar on oral health issues, dental implants and dental implant technology.
- Ohio: Dr. Reza Heshmati and Dr. Alejandro Peregrina attended and gave a presentation on May 17th for 30 attendees at the Whetstone Senior Center in Columbus, OH, to raise awareness of the specialty of Prosthodontics.

Professional Presentations

- <u>California</u>: Dr. Nader Sharifi presented two lectures and two workshops at the California Dental Association Annual meeting held during NPAW. Dr. Sharifi started each of his denture programs with the NPAW slide and discussed the goals of NPAW. Approximately 200 dentists were present for the lectures and 50 dentists and lab technicians for the workshops.
- <u>Connecticut</u>: All graduate residents provided brochures and demonstrated implant models at the busy UConn cafeteria at lunch time during the week.

- Georgia: The Advance Education Program in Prosthodontics at the College of Dental Medicine, Georgia Regents University celebrated NPAW with a sponsored lunch and informal slide and equipment exhibition for Predoctoral students. Approximately 30 students attended the luncheon.
- <u>Illinois:</u> The newly formed Prosthodontic Implant Club met and approximately 100 Students and faculty were in attendance.
- New York: Columbia University residents presented current research at the Birnberg Research Day.
 - o Dr. Ken Kurtz, Dr. Anthony Randi and Dr. Sherry Mei at Stony Brook presented lectures for approximately 35.
 - Columbia, Stony Brook, and Queens Hospital and others have activities planned for residents and mentorship for undergraduate dental students interested in Prosthodontics
 - At NYU: Cases were displayed by residents for the Predoctoral students to see what they do as prosthodontists; the undergraduate "Honors in Prosthodontics" students had an opportunity to present their cases; poster presentations by international pros residents and post graduate residents were displayed; raffle prizes were handed out.
 - o Dr. Larry Brecht presented in Basel Switzerland at the Swiss Society for Geriatric and Handicapped Dentistry. There were over 250 individuals in attendance.
- North Carolina: Ohio: Dr. Alejandro Peregrina hosted a lecture for prosthodontic residents.
- <u>Pennsylvania:</u> Dr. Robert Bentz and his team sent N.P.A.W shaped pretzels with all the fixins to their referring doctors at 20 offices and they loved them
- <u>Puerto Rico:</u> Poster sessions were held in the halls of the School of Dental Medicine. Several pros residents and faculty presented their case reports and research.
- <u>Utah:</u> Dr. Rodney Andrus presented a lecture "What is a Prosthodontist?" at the Dixie Regional Medical Center Surgical Staff Meeting. Approximately 20 individuals were in attendance

Lunch & Learns

- <u>Alabama:</u> Prosthodontic residents and faculty hosted a pizza luncheon for 60 3rd and 4th year dental students. There were PowerPoint presentations on pros, patient care and the faculty spoke on why they chose prosthodontics.
- <u>Connecticut:</u> Prosthodontic department sponsored a pizza lunch for dental students. During the lunch graduate residents gave lectures on 'Prosth Pearls', which intended to give dental students tricks and tips for various clinical situations.
- <u>Maryland:</u> Ten rising 3rd and 4th year dental students had a Chinese dinner with the Prosthodontic residents. The residents gave presentations showcasing some of the interesting patients they have treated; what life is like as a Prosthodontic resident; how to apply and the financial considerations.
- <u>Ohio:</u> Dr. Alejandro Peregrina and Dean Dr. Patrick Lloyd organized a lunch and learn presentation for all the dental students at the Ohio State University College of Dentistry which included an introduction presentation about the specialty of

- Prosthodontics by Dr. Peregrina, and the Graduate Prosthodontic senior residents presented clinical cases completed during their residency.
- <u>West Virginia:</u> Dr. Mark Richards spoke with Predoctoral students about NPAW and the specialty. Residents made patient presentations. 100 predoctoral students were in attendance.

Proclamations

• New York: Dr. Marshall Fagin organized a gathering of regional, Erie County and leading dentists from the University at Buffalo Dental School as Mayor Byron Brown issued a proclamation recognizing NPAW.













Did you know that April 7th kicks off National Prosthodontic Awareness Week (NPAW)? Recognized by the State of California, this week, April 7-13, 2013, is dedicated toward the preservation and restoration of your ability to chew and smile beautifully. Driven by prosthodontists and the specialty of Prosthodontics, there are numerous oral health care professionals comprised as a team to support and preserve these essential dental needs. The dental hygienist plays an important role on this team.

Have you seen your dental hygienist lately? Do you maintain regular visits with your dentist or prosthodontist, having your teeth and any oral prosthetic replacement teeth (dentures) cleaned? This is a paramount activity of need and considered preventative toward the maintenance of good oral health. If people procrastinate on this routine oral health care activity and wait until they experience some form of pain, it can be a serious miscalculation. Usually, symptoms such as pain represent grater dental involvement, personal inconvenience and expense. Sometimes, as in the case of periodontal disease, tooth loss may occur without symptoms due to the devastating effects of dental plaque and calculus. Also, other pathologies in the mouth may exist and the individual is unaware until the disease process is more serious. Oral disease conditions can progress very stealthily. Dental hygienists will often make discovery of such conditions while dentists facilitate with the actual diagnosis. Such pathologic conditions occur with increased frequency in senior citizens and especially those who are medically compromised. Prosthodontists are adept at diagnosing these conditions as it is within the purview of their advanced specialty training. Along with the oversight of your dentist or prosthodontist, the dental hygienists are there to help manage your continued oral health and support your good functional chewing along with a socially pleasing smile. The dental hygienist does play an important role with the overall team, and skipping your routine dental cleaning can be the prescription toward much greater oral health problems.

If you do not have a dentist or prosthodontist and live in the Rossmoor vicinity, you may call the Contra Costa Dental Society (925-284-8662) or "Find a Prosthodontist" (800-378-1260). For more information about prosthodontists and to search for a prosthodontist online, visit www.GoToAPro.org.

Located in the Rossmoor Area, at the John Muir Outpatient at Tice Valley Outpatient Clinic, our practice features two very experienced dental hygienists; Juliet Montagnon, RDH and Sandra Lampman, RDH.

If you are in need of a new local provider,

a dental hygiene appointment is available for new patients along with a

COMPLIMENTARY CLINICAL EXAMINATION

(Including oral cancer screening but excluding radiographic images).

This special offer is available ONLY during the National Prosthodontic Awareness Week starting April 7 -13, 2013 (Tel. 925-935-5800).

There are a limited number of appointments available so capitalize on this opportunity if you have not seen your dental hygienist recently. GoToAPro – go to a prosthodontist.

David L. Pfeifer, D.D.S, M.S., F.A.C.P.

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Activity at the University of Connecticut Prosthodontic Residency Program during NPAW 2013

The UConn Graduate Prosthodontic program acknowledged NPAW 2013 with a variety of events. All programs were directed by Dr. Avinash Bidra (ACP NPAW Co-Chair) and Dr. John Agar. The NPAW events were coordinated by residents Dr. Noah Orenstein, Dr. Aurora Dibner, and Dr. Foteini Touloumi.

Four weeks prior to NPAW week, graduate students identified over 300 local orthopedic surgeons, plastic surgeons, dieticians, dermatologists, cosmetologists, radio stations, and TV stations to send informative letters to, describing Prosthodontics as a specialty and the events of NPAW week. All responses to the letters were greeted with invitations to the additional events scheduled by UConn during NPAW week.

Three primary events took place during NPAW week. First, all graduate residents participated in a University of Connecticut Health Center health fair. Residents answered questions and provided information about Prosthodontics to the over 1,200 laypeople and hospital staff that attended the fair. Second, the Prosthodontic department sponsored a pizza lunch for dental students. During the lunch graduate residents gave lectures on 'Prosth Pearls', which intended to give dental students tricks and tips for various clinical situations. Third, all graduate residents provided brochures and demonstrated implant models at the busy UConn cafeteria at lunch time during the week.

As always, UConn believes strongly in the promotion and celebration of Prosthodontics during NPAW week. Each year the residency attempts to develop new ideas and ways to educate the local community about the specialty. The graduate program is already looking forward to next year's NPAW events!



UConn residents prepared over 300 letters to promote Prosthodontics to Orthopedic surgeons, plastic surgeons, dermatologists, radio stations, cosmetologists, and TV stations.



The work continues



Over 300 letters ready to be mailed out.



 ${\tt UConn\,Prosth\,Resident\,Dave\,Burnham\,engages the\,audience\,and\,promotes\,prosthodontics\,at\,the\,\,UConn\,Health\,fair}$



Dental students congregated to hear Prosthodontic residents teach them a few tip sand tricks of Prosthodontics!



Dental students enjoy a presentation as part of the Prosth Pearls.



At Uconn we celebrated NPAW with a lot of pomp!



 $\label{lem:potential} Dental \, students \, enjoying \, refreshments \, during \, NPAW \, week \, sponsored \, by \, the \, \\ Department \, of \, prosthodontics.$



Uconn residents promoting prosthodontics at a busy cafeteria during lunch.



As part of the NPAW promotion brochures were provided and implant models were demonstrated to the audience.

NPAW 2013 Summary

Who: Bruce Nghiem DMD

What: Donated Dental Services

When: Continuously

Where: The Center for Dental Excellence, LLC

625 Hopmeadow Street

Simsbury, CT 06070

How Many: 2 complete full mouth rehabilitations

In recognition of NPAW Dr. Nghiem gives back his experience and expertise to the community, who are in need of Prosthodontic treatment. Dr. Nghiem volunteers his services for the Donated Dental Services, a national program of Dental Lifeline Network. This is a charitable affiliated program of the ADA that coordinates the services of prosthodontists nationwide to provide comprehensive dental care. This program was founded over 35 years ago and has provided around \$181 million in dental care in all 50 states. Candidates for this program are disabled, elderly or medically-compromised individuals with complex dental complications needing service from a prosthodontist, but who cannot afford necessary treatment nor get public aid. As a prosthodontist, Dr. Nghiem is able to contribute towards returning a patient to good oral health and enabling them to have good quality of life. This is what National Prosthodontic Awareness Week means to him. This activity is year round. Liaisons from Donated Dental Services will periodically reach out to Dr. Nghiem with a candidate who needs his services to get back to an acceptable level of oral health. In the past 2 years he has helped two candidates with full mouth rehabilitation at no cost to the patient. Dr. Nghiem completes these voluntary services at his office where he works with two general dentists, Drs. Lawrence Christian and Philip Pilon. The Center for Dental Excellence, LLC is located at 625 Hopmeadow Street in Simsbury CT.

For more information about such type of services, click the link below, or call 888-623-2780.

http://www.nfdh.org/donated-dental-services-dds

In this photo, Dr. Bruce Nghiem is hard at work performing lab work on a full mouth rehabilitation treatment.







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Fort Gordon recognizes National Prosthodontics Awareness Week

Fort Gordon Dental Activity



Prosthodontic residents, Capt. Jee Kim and Capt. Tony Lee receive instruction on virtual design and construction of a fixed prosthesis at Tingay Dental Clinic. Photo provided by Fort Gordon Dental During National Prosthodontics Awareness Week, April 7 through 13, Fort Gordon Dental Activity will recognize the contributions of the entire Prosthodontic Team: two prosthodontic mentors, twelve prosthodontic residents, three dental laboratory technicians, two enlisted dental laboratory specialists and eleven prosthodontic dental assistants.

Prosthodontics is one of the nine dental specialties recognized by the American Dental Association. A primary focus of prosthodontics is the replacement of missing teeth to restore optimal function, appearance, and oral health. Treatment modalities frequently involve the use of dental implants, dentures, veneers, crowns and teeth whitening.

Prosthodontists are dental specialists in the restoration and

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replacement of teeth who have completed dental school plus three additional years of advanced specialty training and

education in an ADA-accredited prosthodontic graduate program such as the one located at Tingay Dental Clinic, Fort Gordon. Prosthodontists provide an extremely high level of care to patients with missing teeth, or having significant damage to their existing teeth. They also work with congenital defects as well as problems arising from trauma and neglect. Prosthodontists are highly trained in state-of-the-art techniques and procedures for treating many diverse and complex dental conditions and restoring optimum function and esthetics. These include: crowns, bridges, complete and removable partial dentures, dental implants, TMD-jaw joint problems, traumatic injuries to the mouth's structure and/or teeth, snoring or sleep disorders and oral cancer reconstruction and continuing care. Prosthodontists are proficient in comprehensive oral health diagnosis, treatment planning and restoration. A prosthodontist is the skilled architect who can restore optimal function and appearance to your smile.

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Nathalie Williams

From: Baker, Philip <PBAKER@gru.edu>
Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2013 4:14 PM

To: Nathalie Williams

Subject: FW: GRU College of Dental Medicine NPAW Event

Attachments: Figure1.jpg; Fig2.jpg; Fig3.jpg

GRU College of Dental Medicine National Prosthdontics Awareness Week Event

Dear Ms. Williams,

This year the Adv. Ed. Program in Prosthodontics at the College of Dental Medicine, Georgia Regents University, celebrated NPAW with a sponsored lunch and informal slide and equipment exhibition for our school's undergraduate dental students. The idea came from our 1st year prosthodontic resident, Dr. Hanife Bayraktaroglu, and all our residents, staff and faculty pitched in to make it an enjoyable session. Since Masters Week was scheduled at the same time as NPAW, and during Spring Break for the College, the event was held the following week, on Wednesday, April 17. The ability to have questions on our Program answered by actual residents was a definite hit with the students, and approximately 30 students attended the luncheon while our residents explained the multifaceted nature of our specialty.

Photo legend:

Fig. 1- Pictured center, left to right, are 2nd year Resident Dr. Amy Camba, 1st year Resident

Dr. Hanife "Canan" Bayraktaroglu, and 2nd year Resident Dr. Remi Elkattah, all in the Prosthodontics Program.

Fig. 2- Dental Students, Residents, and Program Director pose for a group photo at this year's NPAW Event.

Fig. 3- Dental Students learn the basics of Esthetic Analysis and the use of photography, diagnostic casts, and articulators in reviewing several challenging treatments done by the GRU Prosthodontic Residents.

Our goal was to demonstrate the depth and breadth of our work, "As a Prosthodontist...".

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any further information. This information will be given to the American College of Prosthodontists for use in their member publication as well. Sincerely,

Dr. Baker

Augusta State University and Georgia Health Sciences University have consolidated to become **Georgia Regents University**. Effective January 9, 2013, my email address has changed to PBAKER@gru.edu. Please update your address book to reflect this change.







Oral cancer screening and Caries detection with oral health education.

The Chapter donated \$500 of dental supply to the Esperanza center also.

Left to right group photo:

Priscilla Kia Suan Sia, BDS

Jenin H. Yahya, DDS

Gillian Alexander, DDS

Youssef Obeid, DDS FACP

Michael Murphy, DDS

Samuel Richards, DDS

50 patients were screened













PRESENTATION OF INFORMATION SHARED AT PROCLAMATION CEREMONY IN MAYORS OFFICE APRIL 12, AT 2:00 pm.

WE ARE SO APPRECIATIVE FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY AND FOR YOUR SUPPORT MAYOR BROWN BY CREATING THIS PROCLAMATION OF 'NATIONAL PROSTHODONTICS AWARENESS WEEK' HERE IN BUFFALO. I AM DR. MARSHALL FAGIN FROM EAST AMHERST AND I AM A PROSTHODONTIST, WHICH IS A SPECIALTY IN DENTISTRY NOT AS WELL RECOGNIZED BY THE PUBLIC LIKE ORTHODONTICS, ORAL SURGERY AND OTHERS.

WE HAVE WITH US TODAY THE VICE PRESIDENT OF OUR 8TH DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY DR. JOE MODICA, REPRESENTING OVER 1000 DENTISTS IN OUR REGION. ALONG WITH ERIE COUNTY DENTAL SOCIETY'S VICE PRESIDENT DR. AMY RAPPOLD AND DR. JOSHUA HUTTER, PRESIDENT OF THE UB DENTAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. ALSO HERE FROM OUR DENTAL SCHOOL IN BUFFALO IS DR. ED MONACO, DIRECTOR OF THE SPECIALTY PROGRAM IN PROSTHODONTICS AND DR. JANE BREWER, CHAIRPERSON OF THE DEPARTMENT OF RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY AND PAST PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF FIXED PROSTHODONTICS; AND IT IS AN PRIVILAGE TO WELCOME DR. MICHAEL GAGLIO FROM IVOCLAR VIVADENT CORP., ONE OF THE LEADING INTERNATIONAL MANUFACTURERS OF INNOVATIVE PRODUCTS USED IN MOST ALL AREAS OF PROSTHETIC SERVICES. THEY HAVE THEIR NORTH AMERICAN HEADOUARTERS HERE. THERE ARE OVER 25 PROSTHODONTISTS PRACTICING OR TEACHING IN THE BUFFALO AREA, WITH MANY OF US IN PRIVATE PRACTICE AND TEACHING PART TIME AT THE DENTAL SCHOOL HERE IN BUFFALO, WHICH PROVIDED OVER 150.000 DENTAL VISITS THIS PAST YEAR.

THIS PROCLAMATION IS TO MAKE KNOWN TO THE COMMUNITY THE IMPORTANT ROLE IN DENTISTRY THAT THE PROSTHODONTIC SERVICES OF OUR GENERAL DENTISTS, OUR DENTAL SCHOOL AND THOSE WHO SPECIALIZE IN PROSTHODONTICS (CALLED PROSTHODONTISTS), PROVIDE TO ALL OF YOU, OUR PATIENTS. THESE DENTAL SERVICES, WHICH INCLUDES ESTHETIC DENTISTRY, IMPLANT DENTISTRY, ALONG WITH CROWNS, BRIDGES AND DENTURE RESTORATIONS, CHANGE PEOPLE'S LIVES, NOT JUST THROUGH IMPROVED AND RESTORED DENTAL HEALTH, BUT ACTUALLY SIGNIFICANTLY ENHANCING OUR PATIENT'S LIVES BY RESTORING THEIR ABILITY TO CHEW, SMILE, AND SPEAK WITH RENEWED CONFIDENCE. THERE ARE MANY OF YOU OUT THERE WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED THIS, AND WE ASK YOU TO SPREAD THE WORD.

AS A TEAM OF DENTISTS WORKING TOGETHER FOR OUR PATIENTS, ALL OF US FEEL SUCH IMMENSE GRATIFICATION FROM HELPING YOU IN THIS COMMUNITY TO HAVE IMPROVED DENTAL HEALTH, AND IN MANY CASES TRULY ENHANCE AND OFTEN CHANGE YOUR LIVES FOR THE BETTER.

THANK YOU AGAIN MAYOR BROWN FOR PROCLAMING THIS NATIONAL PROSTHODONTICS AWARENESS WEEK.





American College of Prosthodontics New York Section Report

Spring Meeting

The ACPNYS is holding its spring meeting on April 23, 2013. Over 150 local members and residents will be attending. Dr. Steve Bergen is the recipient of the distinguished service award. A \$500 gift will be made to the ACPEF on his behalf. Our guest speaker Dr. Len Kobren will speak on "Patient Specific Abutments".

Save the date- ACPNYS fall meeting – October 1, 2013

NPAW Activities

Columbia University posted information regarding NPAW on electronic billboards throughout the hospital center as well as presenting current research at the Birnberg Research Day.

Dr. Anthony Randi and Dr. Ken Kurtz presented lectures at Stonybrook University Dental School.

Several events are taking place within the NY Metropolitan area. NYU, Montefiore and the Manhattan VA participated in a NYC Cancer Walk on April 21st. Columbia, Stony Brook, and Queens Hospital and others have planned activities for residents and mentorship for undergraduate dental students interested in Prosthodontics. A very special thank you to Dr. Igor Gerzon for providing printed posters and other promotional items for these gatherings.

Note- photos are attached separately. NYU and Columbia material attached. Captions for Columbia are below.

Photo- 1.JPG

"Columbia University Post-Graduate Students Promoting NPAW"

Photo-2.JPG

"Columbia University College of Dental Medicine Post-Graduate Students resent research for NPAW at annual Birnberg symposium"





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My Jakarta: Fransiskus Andrianto, President of the **Indonesian Network at Columbia University**

Angelyn Liem | April 07, 2013

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Fransiskus Andrianto left Jakarta to study prosthodontics in New York and now leads an Indonesian students\' network. (Photo courtesy of Fransiskus Andrianto)

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As if being a medical student and doing his residency wasn't keeping him busy enough, Fransiskus Andrianto also wears the hat of president of the Indonesian Network at Columbia University in New York. Recently, the network managed to hold a third successful Indonesian Night attended by 200 people. Andri caught up with My Jakarta to share more about the event, to tell us why pop icon and Columbia student Cinta Laura was missing in action, and to give an introduction to the world of prosthodontics.

You are president of the Indonesian Network at Columbia University. What does that entail?

I am in charge of leading and gathering Indonesian students at Columbia University. At the beginning of a new academic calendar, I organize a gathering so that the new students can meet with current students. Other than that, I arrange meetings and gatherings with Indonesian students at New York University as well as with the Indonesian Students Association in New York City, Permias NYC.

Tell us about the Indonesian Night.

We hosted our third Indonesian Night to promote Indonesia's culture and cuisine to students at Columbia University. This event consisted of an authentic Indonesian dinner, the opportunity to wear and take pictures in traditional costume,

traditional dancing by the Saung Budaya group, an angklung performance by INCU members involving the audience, Indonesian songs by the International House Choir group and a 'poco-poco' dance.

This year we also hosted our first Indonesian seminar, 'Indonesia Through Different Lenses,' which had three guest speakers: Don J. Melnick from the anthropology department, Karen Bryner from the teachers' college and Wimboh Santoso from Bank Indonesia.

Why wasn't Cinta Laura involved?

We actually tried to contact Cinta Laura several times last year, through her Columbia e-mail account, to let her know about our association. We basically informed her that we exist and we would like to know if she is interested in getting involved. Up until now, we haven't got any response from her and I respect her decision. This is the main reason why we did not get her involved in our event. Hopefully she will participate in future events.

What kind of medical student are you?

I am currently doing a postdoctoral residency and master of science in prosthodontics. Prosthodontics is one of the nine dental specialties recognized by the American Dental Association. Graduate programs in prosthodontics include classroom lectures and seminars, laboratory and clinical training, oral reconstruction and continuing care. Prosthodontists are masters of complete oral rehabilitation. A prosthodontist is dedicated to the highest standards of care in the restoration and replacement of teeth.

What's lacking in prosthodontics in Indonesia?

I think we are lacking patient awareness of dental health, and that's very critical. It's our job to educate others about the importance of dental health. Another factor is that evidence-based dentistry has not been







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well implemented in Indonesia. Everything we do here in the United States is based on evidence, not anecdote. Another big challenge for prosthodontics is laboratory support. Prosthodontists here in the United States work very closely with dental technicians. Not only that, we also deal with sophisticated and complex prosthetic rehabilitations that require a high level of laboratory support.

Why New York City?

I have always been fascinated by the energy and dynamism of New York City. Doing my specialty training in NYC gives me the opportunity to treat some of the most challenging cases as well as the most demanding patients. On top of that, Columbia University is considered one of the top universities in the United States, and also is affiliated with a very prestigious hospital, the New York-Presbyterian Hospital.

What does it take for an Indonesian student to get into Columbia University?

Sheer determination, persistence and perseverance. Well, I can only speak based on my personal experience. Getting into the Dental Medicine Postdoctoral Program at Columbia University is very competitive. They look at pretty much everything, such as academic performance, clinical performance, extracurricular activities, publications, research experience and personality. They are looking not only clinicians, but also scholars. We are expected to be very critical and always have a rationale for what we are going to do.

What is the most interesting experience you've had as president of INCU?

I think the most interesting experience I've had so far is preparing for the 2013 Indonesian Night. It gave us the opportunity to get to know each other better. I feel very fortunate to meet all these Indonesian students here in NYC.

Is there a favorite spot you miss in Jakarta?

My favorite spot in Jakarta is Grand Indonesia. I think there is no other place than shopping malls to provide entertainment for us in Jakarta. There are not many outdoor activities, especially during the day when the temperature gets quite high.

Fransiskus Andrianto was speaking to Angelyn Liem.

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godmachine12

9:55pm Apr 10, 2013

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Classic Indonesian answer :-)

Dr.Andri 10:50am Apr 9, 2013

Thank you for all the comments! The Indonesian Network at Columbia University has been working hard to embrace all Indonesian students by e-mail, facebook group, blog, gathering events and hosting Indonesian Seminar and Cultural Night. Sadly, although we have been trying our best to reach out, we haven't been successfully gathered them all. It would be a great idea if we can get to know each other whilst studying at Columbia University. However, I respect anyone's decision if he/she does not want to get involved in our network. It's everyone's right to or not to be part of our network. Hopefully, we will have a better and solid community in the future.

Sincerely,

On behalf of The Indonesian Network at Columbia University

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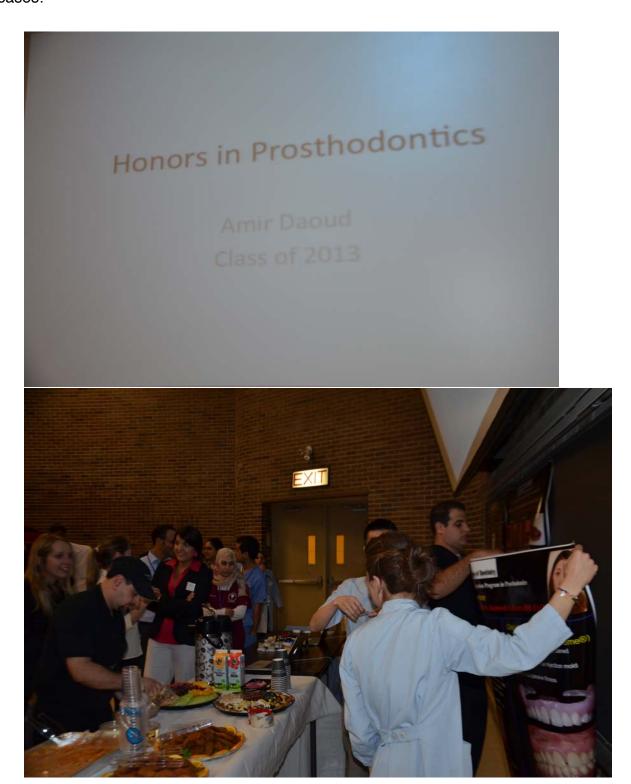


Cases were displayed by the residents for the students to see what we do as a Prosthodontists.

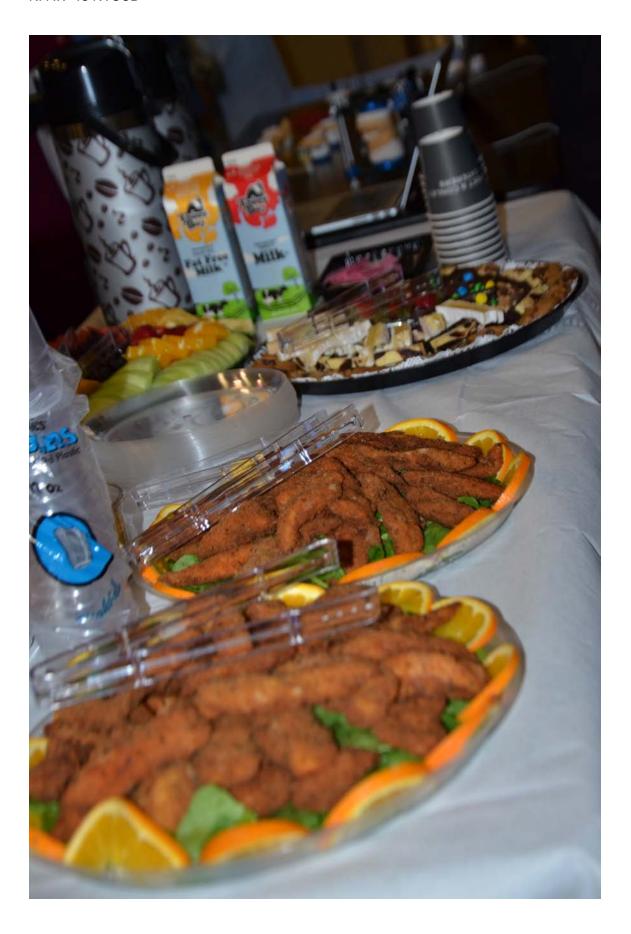




The undergraduate "Honors in Prosthodontic" students had an opportunity to present their cases!



Poster presentations by international prosthodontic residents and post graduate residents were displayed

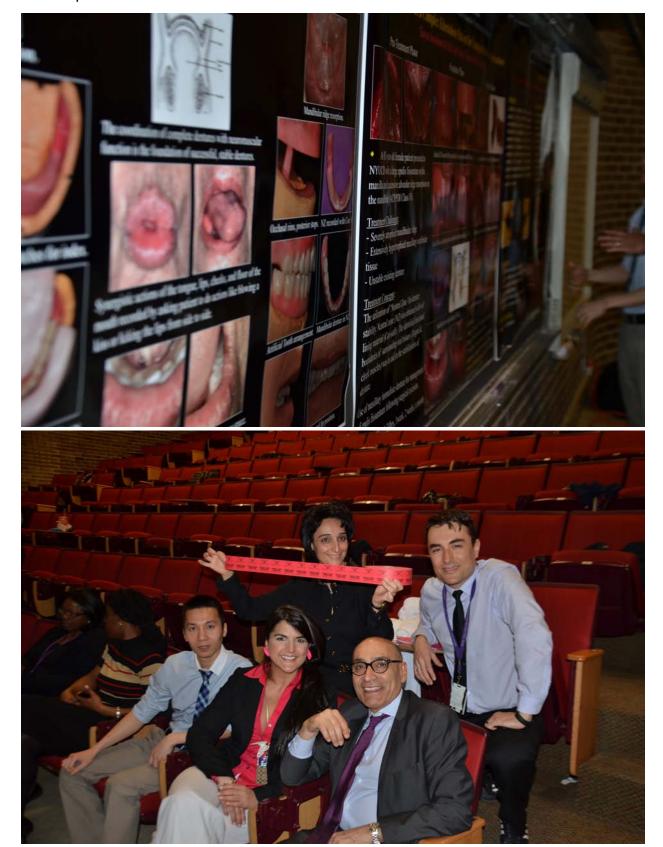






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Poster presentations



From left to right: Viet Ho, Drs. Ann-Marie Pereira, Leila Jahangiri, Farhad Vahidi, Paul Zhivago



Dr. Amir Daoud presenting his case

Viet Ho is preparing for his speech



Dr. Heba Elkassaby recipient of the Litvak award also won the raffle. What a great month



Dr. Pereira presented an interesting case on how to handle "Amelogenesis Imperfecta"



See you next year at the 2014 NPAW!

All the best, The NYU Prostho Crew





Video submitted by Dr. Steve Bergen from the VA.

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Nathalie Williams

From: Elizabeth Heffner <eheffner@cooleybentzdental.com>

Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2013 2:40 PM

To: Nathalie Williams

Cc: Media

Subject: NPAW Celebration 2013

Attachments: NPAW Pretzels April 2013.JPG; NPAW 2013 Dr. Bentz, staff, and Patients.JPG; NPAW

2013 Dr. Bentz, Dr. Markowitz, Dr. Cooley-Bentz, and Staff.JPG

Hi Nathalie-

We had fun last week celebrating NPAW with local doctors and patients!!!

I've attached some pictures for you to put in a newsletter or website if you wish.

Here's the doctor and office information: Dr. Robert M. Bentz, DMD, FACP Bentz Dental Implant & Prosthodontic Center 2601 Dekalb Pike East Norriton, PA 19401 610-272-6949 Our website link: www.bentz-dental-implants.com

Dr. Bentz is a board certified prosthodontist and member of the ACP.

Picture 1) NPAW Pretzels from Philly Pretzel Factory that we gave to referring doctors. So yummy!! We gave them to 20 offices and they loved them!!

Picture 2) Dr. Bentz with staff and patients (Pictured from L to R...Paul Smithson (patient), Tabitha Timinski (CDA), Dr. Robert M. Bentz, DMD, FACP, Jennifer Hollingsworth (Clinical Assistant), and Jeannie Messantonio (patient)

Picture 3) (Pictured in foreground Dr. Robert M. Bentz, DMD, FACP and Dr. David E. Markowitz, DMD (orthodontist from Blue Bell, PA))

(Pictured in background from L to R...Tammy Purcell (DA), Diane Blasek-Kehoe (RDH), Kim Johns (DA), Liz Cerrato (Administrator), Carleen Panaccio (Administrator), and Dr. Sara Cooley-Bentz, DMD, FAGD

If you use the photos, please let me know where so I can let the doctor know.

Thanks so much!! Hope you can use them!!:)

Eliza

Elizabeth Heffner Marketing Coordinator 610-272-6949 2601 Dekalb Pike East Norriton. Pa 19401







Nathalie Williams

From: Maria A Loza Herrero <maria.loza3@upr.edu>

Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2013 8:36 AM

To: Nathalie Williams

Subject: The Prosthodontics Association of Puerto Rico celebrated NPAW with the ACP

The Prosthodontics Association of Puerto Rico (APPR) celebrated NPAW with the ACP!

We had 3 subgroups of Prosthdontics and we multiply for the 3 local interview spots on TV.

They were on:

Wednesday, April 10, 2013 On Channel 13 at 5:00pm, and it was repeated later in the week.(Dr. Fadhel and Dr.Cañizares)

Wednesday, April 10, 2013 On Channel 41 at 6:00pm, ant it was repeated the same day at 10:00pm (Dr. Loza, Dr.Hernandez and Dr.Sosa)

Thusrday, April 11, 2013 On Channel 4 at Noon.(Dr. Chardon-APPR President and Dr.P.Torres)

On the Interviews we talked about the week, what is a prosthodontist, what we do and how esthetics is not the only important thing. We emphasized on our ability, expertise and traning evaluating surrounding tissues, oral cancer and other conditions, and how we reconstruct smiles form inside out. We presented on screen several reconstruction and oral cancer cases while we talked. The people that interview us were amazed, they did not know the difference.

Aditionally, we had a Week Poster Session in the halls of the School of Dental Medicine, MSC,UPR. Several Prosthodontics Residents and Faculty presented their case reports and research (Dr.Ancira, Dr. Rivera and Dr.M.Loza).

Thanks a lot for the enthusiasm and support, specially to our Regional Director.

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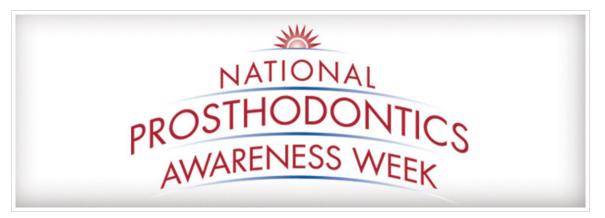
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National Prosthodontics Awareness Week

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This week at ClearChoice, we're celebrating National Prosthodontics Awareness Week. What exactly does a prosthodontist do? Let's start with the basics.

Prosthodontists are dentists who specialize in the functional and aesthetic restoration and replacement of teeth. Sometimes called "architects of the smile," they've earned their proficiency by successfully completing three years of additional training (after the regular four years of dental school). At ClearChoice, our prosthodontists form a key part of our dental implant team. Along with oral surgeons, they are the core professionals in our practice.

Clearly, prosthodontists are concerned with how well your teeth function, and how good they look. But their role is much wider than that: through outreach projects like National Prosthodontics Awareness Week, they want to help spread the message that good oral health is critical to your overall well-being – and to remind you that they're ready to help!

Did you know, for example, that prosthodontists can detect the early stages of oral cancer, a "silent" killer that will be diagnosed in some 40,000 Americans this year? During this special week, prosthodontists will offer free cancer screenings in many locations – and the good news is that early detection boosts the oral cancer survival rate to over 80%.

Plus, the American College of Prosthodontists is sponsoring an advertising campaign, in cooperation with the Ad Council on the importance of oral health. Its goal is to remind parents, children and caregivers of the importance of oral health, and to teach them simple and effective ways of preventing oral diseases. That could mean fewer kids with cavities or gum disease -- and fewer adults with serious dental problems

If you're among those who suffer the ill effects of deteriorating or missing teeth, we would like to remind you of one more fact about prosthodontists: They are the dental specialists who painstakingly design and place the lifelike crowns (the parts of the tooth you see above the gum line) on dental implants. And, as you probably know, implants are the gold standard of tooth replacement. Dental implants are the most successful, the longest-lasting, and the most esthetic method of replacing teeth. They have helped countless people regain their full dental function, as well as their confidence and self-esteem.

Kudos to our team of prosthodontists!

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