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Prosthodontic educators convene in Chicago

The College, together with the ACP Education Foundation, convened a Prosthodontic Educators Conference in early April in Chicago. The meeting, supported by grants from 3M ESPE, ASTRA Tech Dental, Biomet 3i, Ivoclar Vivadent, Nobel Biocare and Materialise Dental, gathered predoctoral educators and postdoctoral program directors in a joint forum under the direction of ACP President Dr. Charles Goodacre. The predoctoral educators session was remarkable in that educators



Attendees during the April Educator's Conference in Chicago had an opportunity to meet with sponsoring companies including Astra Tech Dental to learn about their latest product innovations related to prosthodontics.

effort were reviewed and input was incorporated to submit to CODA on behalf of the ACP and the predoctoral educators in prosthodontics.

Dr. Sharon Siegel led a mini-workshop to work on the ADEA Foundation Knowledge document on behalf of the Section on Prosthodontics. This document was submitted to predoctoral educators involved in the ADEA Section on Prosthodontics and allowed the diverse group of educators, many of which are not directly involved as members of ADEA, but offered input to shape the document as it

The predoctoral educators session was remarkable in that educators representing approximately 30 institutions came together to address timely issues affecting predoctoral prosthodontic education.

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A number of critical areas were presented for consideration. ACP Past President Dr. Stephen D. Campbell addressed the key issue of the Commission on Dental Accreditation standards soliciting communities of interest to offer feedback on the recent revisions. This was a unique opportunity and the timing allowed the ACP to lead a group of predoctoral educators in an effort to offer cogent feedback from individuals who are "in the trenches" in making the CODA standards work throughout the various dental schools.

Dr. Don Curtis led a work group in revising the applicable portions of the CODA standards in preparation for the meeting. He provided the results of the initial work group for open discussion and organized feedback from the group. The results of this

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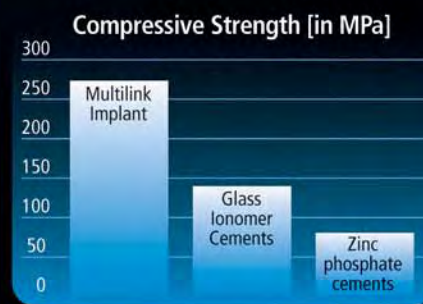
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Remembering what is really important in life

Prosthodontics is a central part of our lives because it is our chosen specialty, provides us with personal and professional satisfaction and allows us to impact the lives of patients and students. However, it is important to regularly step back and focus on an even broader picture of our lives.

I'm sure many of you heard the national news or read about the private plane that crashed in Montana, killing all those on board. Those who were lost were dentists, a dental hygienist, a physician, and all their children. The owner of the plane was a classmate of mine from dental school and he and his wife are good friends. In fact, during dental school, Bud and I spent many hours together riding motorcycles in the hills around the School of Dentistry. Our friends lost two daughters and their husbands in addition to the grandchildren. All those involved were alumni of Loma Linda University.

As I attended the memorial services and talked with my classmate and friend, I could not help but think of the pain he and his wife must be feeling from such a devastating loss to their family. Ruthy and I were reminded of the curves in the road that life presents to all of us at times, even though few of us have experienced a single tragedy of this magnitude. Events of this

nature cause us to step back and reflect on what is really important in life.

We all need to enjoy our professional lives, our livelihood and our professional careers but we also need to take time to reflect upon and do what really counts. I would propose that we all take the extra time needed to talk to that patient or that student who has a special need. I suggest we call a friend we haven't talked to in a long time and go out of our way when traveling to personally visit with someone we haven't seen in a long time. We need to do something unexpected and special for our spouses on a regular basis. Give our children a special hug each day or call them if they are not close enough for a hug. We need to regularly compliment our office staff for the things they have done well.

These thoughts are often easier to conceive and write than they are to implement on a regular basis. However, when we pass through a substantial tragedy in our own life or share one with family or friends, it is easier to focus on what is really important in our lives. May we all continue to receive the incredible rewards that prosthodontics provides for each of us but at the same time remember to do and say those things that make life special for those with whom we interact.



Partial dentures course well-received in Chicago

Attendees of this spring's Treatment of the Partially Edentulous Patient with Removable Dentures were taught diagnosis and treatment planning, design parameters, and delivery and use of traditional removable partial dentures (RPD) as a therapeutic option. Topics of discussion included contemporary precision attachments, flexible partial dentures materials, and implants retained removable partial overdentures.

Attendees walked away from the course with a proficiency to:

- Understand how to properly diagnose and the treatment plan for the partially edentulous patient for RPD therapy.
- Understand how the various components of the RPD function.
- Be able to design an RPD suitable for submission to a dental laboratory.
- Understand the clinical procedures necessary to prepare, impress, select teeth for, deliver and adjust the RPD.
- Understand alternatives to traditional RPD therapy, including the use of precision attachments, dental implants and flexible RPD materials.

"A very well-presented course and good review of partial denture design and principles," said Dr. Lillian Mitchell, ACP Fellow and course participant. For more information about upcoming ACP Center for Prosthodontic Education courses, click on the Meetings & Events link from any page of the www.prosthodontics.org Web site.

Calendar of Events

AUGUST 2009

American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry
IFED Sixth World Congress
Las Vegas, NV, Aug. 2-5, 2009
www.estheticacademy.org

SEPTEMBER 2009

International Academy of Gnathology Congress XXIV
Tucson, AZ, Sept. 23-26, 2009
www.gnyathologyusa.org

American College of Prosthodontists Practice Marketing Course
Philadelphia, PA, Sept. 25-26, 2009
www.prosthodontics.org

OCTOBER 2009

American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics Annual Meeting
San Diego, CA, Oct. 31-Nov. 3, 2009
www.maxillofacialprosth.org

NOVEMBER 2009

American College of Prosthodontists Annual Session
San Diego, CA, Nov. 4-7, 2009
www.prosthodontics.org

American Academy of Implant Dentistry Annual Meeting
New Orleans, LA, Nov. 11-15, 2009
www.aaid.com

JANUARY 2010

National Association of Dental Laboratories Vision 21 Meeting
Las Vegas, NV, Jan. 21-23, 2010
www.nadl.org

FEBRUARY 2010

The American Prosthodontic Society Annual Meeting
Chicago, IL, Feb. 25-26, 2010
www.prosthodontics.org

American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics Annual Scientific Session
Chicago, IL
Feb. 26-27, 2010
www.fixedprosthodontics.org

Prosthodontic Forum continues to grow



Dr. Lee M. Jameson

BY LEE M. JAMESON, D.D.S., M.S., CHAIR OF THE PROSTHODONTIC FORUM

The Prosthodontic Forum continues to grow (17 organizations and 31,783 members) and fulfill its mission of providing a “unified voice in the representation of the discipline of prosthodontics.” At the ACP’s 38th Annual Session in Nashville, Tenn. the Forum passed the following motions:

1. Oppose the proposal by the Joint Commission of National Dental Examinations (JCNDE) to eliminate report National Board scores in favor of a pass/fail system;
2. Recognize the impending problem of access to prosthodontic care in the adult population and recommend advocacy by the ADA;
3. Inform dental corporations of the Forum’s concern over the use of the misleading terms “fellow/fellowship” in awarding proprietary continuing education certification;
4. Endorse the ACP’s effort to promote excellence in predoctoral prosthodontic education by proposing improvements to accreditation standards currently under consideration by the Council on Dental Accreditation (CODA);
5. Form a committee (Dr. Lee Jameson, Chair, Ms. Elizabeth Curran, Ms. Ricki Braswell, Dr. Catherine Lach, Consultant: Dr. Kenneth Kais) to gather information on denturism and present their findings at the next Forum meeting.

As a result of the Forum’s concerns and efforts involving the drastic reduction in dental laboratory technology schools, during its 2008 meeting the American Dental Association adopted the following resolution (62H.2008): “Resolved, that the American Dental Association convene a conference of interested stakeholders, to discuss the current state of dental laboratory services, training in the U.S. and to consider actions each organization could take to insure that the quality of prosthetic services delivered in the U.S. remains high in the future.” The 2009 Future of Dental Laboratory Technology Conference will be held August 7, 2009 at the ADA Headquarters Building in Chicago. Dr. Gary Goldstein and I will be the Prosthodontic Forum representatives at the conference and will report outcomes in an upcoming issue of the ACP *Messenger*.

I encourage members to submit potential Forum agenda items (e.g. issues involving patient care, dental education, research, dental laboratory technology and clinical practice) to ACP President Dr. Charles Goodacre (cgoodacre@llu.edu) or me (dej3@comcast.net).



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applies to topics affecting, either directly or indirectly, by prosthodontics education.

Dr. Steve Haney led the group on review of a Scope of Practice document to help define and refine as discussed by the group. The original version of the Scope of Practice document was developed by a work group led by Dr. Lisa A. Lang for the University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio Dental School, Department of Prosthodontics. This document provided a framework by which the educators present could revise to fit their particular institution in support of the education mission.

The joint sessions with the postdoctoral program directors provided an opportunity for all educators to share in the presentations of science and technology that are readily

available to dental institutions in support of the education mission.

Each of our corporate colleagues shared their latest in CAD/CAM technologies and a variety of educational opportunities for institutions, students and faculty. Dr. Roman Cibirka shared his work in developing a gaming style learning program which is being supported by Nobel Biocare. It provides a platform of learning focusing on the why not the how and self assessment for our newest generation of prosthodontic students.

A special thanks goes to Drs. Larry Breeding and Andrea Jackson for their efforts in assisting the groups and to all who were involved behind the scenes to deliver a successful meeting.

Reflections from a Past President



The mid-80s were a pivotal point for the ACP. During the time leading to my year as President (1986-87) as well as the time immediately thereafter, the College was establishing itself as the national organization representing prosthodontists as well as prosthodontics. The Federation of Prosthodontic Organizations (FPO) was comprised of various organizations with interest in prosthodontics and restorative dentistry. It was the largest organization representing prosthodontics but did not truly represent the specialty of Prosthodontics. The ACP was a member of the FPO but initially had very little influence within the organization. It was a power play between the FPO and ACP as to who should represent prosthodontics. This debate of who represented the discipline and who represented the specialty carried on for years. The ACP emerged as the leader in prosthodontics.

DR. COSMO V. DE STENO, ACP PAST PRESIDENT (1986-87)

During that time we also witnessed the birth of what was to be the largest organization representing those interested in the “phenomenon” of osseointegration and in fact the largest organization aside from the ADA; the Academy of Osseointegration. What an incredible story.

As President, I was responsible for the following:

- The acceptance of marketing as a legitimate (and professional) way of promoting prosthodontics and prosthodontists.
 - Developing a marketing campaign with Mr. Joseph Lancellotti of Camelot Marketing.
- Personally negotiating with Saunders to create the *Journal of Prosthodontics*.
 - This was probably my most significant achievement with the greatest influence on prosthodontics.
- Hiring the first Executive Director of the American College of Prosthodontists, Mr. David Schwab.
 - Prior to David Schwab, the College was an all volunteer organization with one full-time employee in San Antonio
- Moving the Executive Offices from San Antonio to Chicago.
 - Moving the offices from San Antonio to Chicago enabled the College to be more visible within organized dentistry and the ADA.
- Fostering the acceptance of prosthodontists placing implants as well as restoring implants.
 - What more needs to be said? This changed the scope of prosthodontics forever. It affected the way prosthodontics was taught to the way it was practiced.
- Developing corporate support for our annual meeting as well as the exhibit “tables.”
 - During the early years the corporate sponsors were only permitted to discuss their products with the meeting attendees. They were not allowed to take orders or promote the sale of their products.

I see the future of prosthodontics and prosthodontists as bright and exciting. Prosthodontics has never experienced such a level of prominence in dentistry as it does today. I sincerely feel we positioned ourselves superbly for continued growth and success.

Register now online for Annual Session in San Diego

Registration is now open for the 39th Annual Session of the American College of Prosthodontists, Nov. 4-7 at the Manchester Grand Hyatt in San Diego. A registration brochure detailing the cutting edge program offerings was mailed to all members in early July.

ACP Vice President Dr. Jonathan P. Wiens, the 2009 Annual Session Program Chair, has planned an outstanding conference featuring new sessions and events, along with updates to past favorites. Arrive early on Wednesday, Nov. 4 to attend a series of programs that will include the: Mentor/Educator Workshops, Board Preparation Course, Prosthodontic Diagnostic Index and Writers' workshops. In addition, this year's conference features an early bird scientific program from 2 to 5 p.m. on "Advances in Maxillofacial Prosthetics" with featured AAMP-ACP speakers, Drs. Steven Eckert, Lawrence E. Brecht, Eleni Roumanas, Gregory Waskewicz, Mo Mazaheri and Kenneth Hilsen. Topics will range from prosthodontic management of patients with acquired and congenital defects as well as patients receiving chemo-radiation to advances in the use of bone morphogenic protein and clinical outcomes of sleep apnea patients.

Wednesday evening features a new opportunity to network and relax during a reception on the U.S.S. Midway, which is located nearby the meeting hotel. Explore the longest-serving aircraft carrier and museum that features storytelling Midway veterans and docents, thrilling flight simulators, a gift shop and more. The ACP will have exclusive access to this venue on both the hanger deck and flight deck. You will have the chance to enjoy spectacular views while catching up with colleagues and friends.

The Scientific Session on Thursday, Nov. 5 and Friday, Nov. 6 will feature topics including Occupational Hazards, Bone Physiology, Implant Prosthodontics, Clinical Realities and Occlusion. Thursday's speaker lineup includes Drs. Curt Hamann



Osseointegration" that includes Drs. Sonia Leziy and Oded Bahat, who are periodontists. Drs. Steve Parel and Alan Sulikowski will provide a prosthodontic perspective. Topics include tissue management, emergence profile and subgingival esthetics, angled implant options and algorithms for immediate implant loading. The pre-evening Poster Session and Reception with Exhibitors will be held immediately after the Scientific Session.

On Friday, Nov. 6, the morning program will highlight "Prosthodontic Realities" and will focus not just on successes or

The Annual Luncheon and President's Dinner have been combined into one special event. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate the achievements of your colleagues, congratulate the new Diplomates of the College and connect with your Board of Directors leadership.

from Smart Practice and John Molinari from the University of Detroit who will discuss "Occupational Hazards – Practitioner Wellness" and "Infections in Immune Compromised Patients" followed by the ACP Education Foundation's John J. Sharry Research Competition. After the morning break, the session will focus on "Bone Physiology." Featured speakers include Drs. Mehrsheed Sinaki and Sree Koka from the Mayo Clinic, as well as William Giannobile from the University of Michigan who will address osteoporosis, menopause, the effects of exercise, estrogen, bisphosphonates, and use of growth factors as well as the means to make clinical assessments in recommending appropriate treatment therapies. The afternoon session is filled with a cadre of renowned speakers to address "Implant Prosthodontics – Beyond

failures, but on clinical outcome assessments. Featured speakers are Drs. Steven Sadowsky, Dennis Shanelec and Mahmoud Torabinejad, who will address outcomes of maxillary implant overdentures, dental implant microsurgery and improving endodontic success with MTA. After the break the outcomes assessment will shift toward ceramics with Drs. Carl Driscoll and Robert Stewart addressing the "dos and don'ts" of veneers and transforming a conventional fixed prosthodontic to CAD-CAM practice. Dental Technician Mr. Matt Roberts will address the advantages of pressed ceramics. The morning session will conclude with an assessment by Dr. Kenneth Malament on the realities of new treatment approaches and clinical outcomes. The afternoon session will be devoted to "Advances in Occlusion" and

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The ACP 2009 Board of Directors Election will take place July 20 through August 18, 2009. For information about the candidates, election schedule and election guidelines please login to the Members Only section of the website www.prosthodontics.org and click on ACP Governance.

Consider your gift to impact the growth and advancement of prosthodontics



For more information about the appeal, to download an appeal brochure or to make a donation online visit www.acpef.org.

The ACP Education Foundation launched the 2009 Prosthodontic Appeal aimed at promoting a renewable, one-time giving option for visionaries who are interested in carrying the impact of projects that will grow and advance prosthodontics.

"I'm excited about the opportunities the Foundation has to advance our specialty this year," said Dr. Gregory N. Guichet, 2009 Prosthodontic Appeal Chair. "I look forward to working with our members in achieving the goals of our organization."

With the help of your donations to the 2009 Prosthodontic Appeal, the College can expand aspects of important activities such as:

- National Prosthodontics Awareness Week (NPAW)
- 40th Anniversary Celebration (2010)
- Expansion of and upgrades for the Prosthopedia® online digital resource library

The 2009 Annual Appeal Committee will be reaching out to all members of the College asking each member to consider a gift to the appeal. "It's a vital activity that we will all receive direct benefit from," Guichet said.

Your generosity will support several projects including:

- Free video, audio and software materials for NPAW participants
- Poster distribution to NPAW registrants for local use:
 - Oral Health "Not a Luxury" project
 - Community and retirement center education
- Creation of NPAW (radio, print, digital) public service announcements
- Prosthodontics: A History (audio, digital) product
- Role of Prosthodontics in Oral Health (audio, digital) product
- Raising Dental IQ: Oral Health, Not a Luxury (audio, digital) product

Message from the Chair

BY GREGORY N. GUICHET, D.D.S.

Successful small business owners appreciate that it takes capital expenditure in order to grow in the future. A farmer knows watering his orchard regularly will keep it alive but it requires an investment in fertilizer to increase yields and make it thrive. These same principles apply to the growth of our specialty. Although our ACP membership dues provide for the day-to-day operations the College, we must recognize the need to invest in our future and the growth of prosthodontics. This is the ball the ACP Education Foundation is pushing down the field every day.

Since 2004, the ACEF has sponsored tremendously successful summits associated with the ADEA meetings, a Prosthodontic Program Directors meeting in 2007 and 2008, as well as an Educators Summit in April 2009. These conferences have supported taking on the predoctoral accreditation standards as they relate to prosthodontics, making meaningful recommendations that will impact every graduating dentist. The Foundation has supported the development of forward-looking strategies to take on the challenges of today and tomorrow. The strategies



have defended the specialty, as well as developed widespread influence and respect that prosthodontics has gained within the oral health community. The ACEF has and continues to champion our cause. The Foundation has sponsored membership in the ACP for residents to engage them in the prosthodontic community early in their career. The Foundation also has supported ongoing

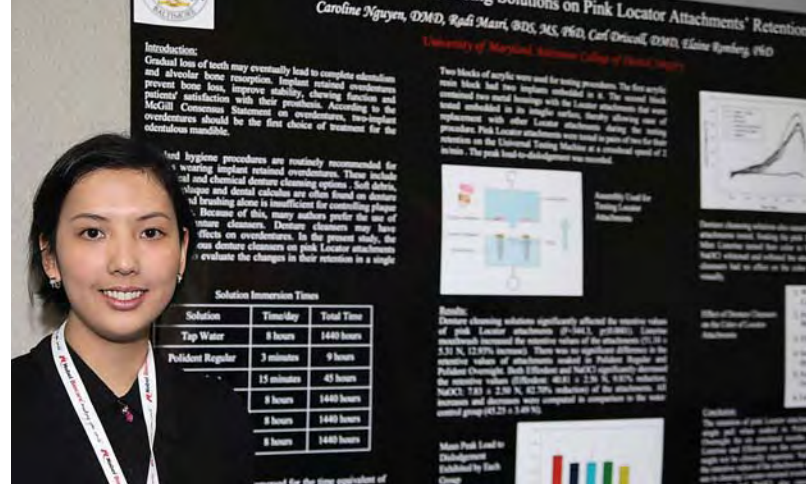
research in prosthodontics. Projects to enhance private practice and expand public awareness of our specialty are continuing to be developed and the ACEF wants to do more.

We have an opportunity to create a culture in our organization of placing prosthodontists in leadership positions in dentistry. We are a small specialty and are trying to cast a giant shadow on the dental landscape. This requires resources. As members of the College, we all need to make a personal commitment to pull on this rope together. Please visit the ACEF Web site at www.acpef.org to find out how you can do your part and donate online today. On behalf of the 2009 Prosthodontic Appeal Committee, thank you for your investment in our future.

2009 Prosthodontic Appeal Committee

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Call for abstract submission for Table Clinics

Calling all prosthodontic residents and predoctoral dental students! Showcase your research and laboratory techniques during the 39th Annual Session Table Clinics competition. Cash prizes will be awarded for the top three finishers in each competition.

A table clinic can be a presentation of research results, clinical outcomes, laboratory techniques, or topics of general interest to the American College of Prosthodontists' members and guests. The format will be poster presentations, bulletin boards will be provided. Tables will not be available for models and materials. Commercial presentations are not appropriate for this session.

Calling all prosthodontic residents and predoctoral dental students! Showcase your research and laboratory techniques during the 39th Annual Session Table Clinics competition.

Two judged competitions will be conducted at the table clinics session. One competition will be for prosthodontic residents. Current graduate students or clinicians who have completed their graduate training during the year of the competition are eligible for the competition. The second competition will be for dental students. Winners of the competitions will receive cash awards and invitations to the Annual Luncheon as guests of the ACP.

If you are interested, complete the table clinic application and e-mail it to the 2009 Table Clinics Chair Daniel Givan at education@prosthodontics.org by the August 14, 2009 deadline. Please invite residents and interested dental students to participate in the table clinics session. A list of requirements and recommendations for table clinic presentations is also available. The table clinic abstract, a required part of the application, will be published in a Table Clinic brochure and distributed at the ACP Annual Session.

Postgraduate prosthodontic residents must be ACP members but this year membership dues and the 2009 Annual Session registration fees may be paid for through the ACP Education Foundation if you qualify. (Membership Application must be approved by the ACP Board of Directors and Annual Session Registration must be completed prior to August 14, 2009 in order to qualify to participate in the ACP Education Foundation Student Program.)

For more information read the official invitation from 2009 Table Clinic Chair Dr. Daniel Givan and download the 2009 Table Clinic guidelines and application online on the Annual Session Homepage www.prosthodontics.org/professionals/AnnualSession.

Young Stars

Alfonso Monarres, D.D.S., M.S., F.A.C.P.



I completed my graduate prosthodontic program at the University of Buffalo. During my last semester I was invited by my program director to stay one more year to do a fellowship in implant dentistry. At that time I didn't have a clear idea on how that was going to help me but I also had nothing to lose so I accepted the invitation. Little did I know at the time that the decision I just had made was going to have a very significant impact in my professional development.

During this fellowship I had the opportunity to perform surgical implant placement and basic augmentation procedures while also completing my cases to take my prosthodontic board exams.

I didn't do many cases but they were enough for me to acquire the confidence I needed to perform surgical implant placement on my own and, with the treatment planning skills I developed during these four years, I also knew very well my understanding that interdisciplinary treatment planning and execution will always have priority in the practice of prosthodontics and implant dentistry.

After completing my training in Buffalo I moved to San Antonio, Texas where I joined a prosthodontic practice as an associate and started teaching part-time. Soon after that I became a full-time faculty member for the Department of Prosthodontics at the University of Texas Health Science Center, San

Antonio. This allowed me to have the opportunity to work with an outstanding group of colleagues and some of the most knowledgeable prosthodontists in the country. The skill set I acquired during my implant fellowship opened the door an incredible number of new opportunities in my short academic career. I became involved in the implant courses at the dental school. Probably my most significant satisfaction was to be invited by the Graduate Prosthodontics Director to teach the prosthodontic residents surgical implant placement and give them the same opportunity I had in my training that is now leading the direction of my career. I had hoped to be able to influence their future the same way mine was.

After three years of full time teaching, I decided to go back to private practice guided by strong personal and professional reasons. Today the practice has been open for 14 months and I'm happy to say it has been the most enjoyable adventure. Despite the situation of the economy in the country, we have been in black numbers since the day we started our normal operations. Looking back to analyze our first year in practice I have to admit that the main source of income came from placing dental implants. I'm very proud of being a prosthodontist and I enjoy performing all areas of our wonderful specialty. However, without the surgical placement of implants, the financial situation of my practice during this first year would have been very different.

I truly enjoy working with colleagues from other

specialties. In the area where I practice they know what I do and they seem to accept it quite well. We help each other with those cases where a team of specialists is needed and we have very good professional communication. I now get referrals from a few well known general dentists that ask me to place implants for their patients, do tissue management with provisional restorations in the esthetic zone, fabricate custom abutments and provide advice for them on how to restore their cases. At the end of the day, that is part of our job as specialists and educators.

I have been out of my program for five years and I'd like to consider myself a member of the new generation of prosthodontists. I'd like for young dentists considering going into prosthodontics to know that our time in real world prosthodontics is different than when past generations went through the same process. They were great doing what they did and we owe them who we are as a group, but today the same skill set might not be enough for us to try to represent our specialty like they did. I firmly believe every resident should graduate from their programs having surgical skills to be able to perform at the specialty level in a very competitive world where we still have the great responsibility of defending the identity of our specialty.

I thank the ACP and the leaders of our specialty for taking in consideration that prosthodontics need to keep evolving and we need to accept our new responsibilities in dentistry.

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New this year to the 39th Annual Session is the Annual Awards Dinner; a combination of the previous years' Annual Luncheon and President's Dinner. Don't miss the opportunity to enjoy an evening with colleagues and honor the individuals that have made a significant contribution to the College and our specialty during the past year. Our current ACP President Dr. Charles J. Goodacre will present the 2009 President's Award. The 2010 ACP President Dr.

Lyndon F. Cooper will also be inducted. The event will be taking place at the Manchester Grand Hyatt on Friday, November 6 in San Diego, California. For more information on this and other Annual Session events please visit the ACP Annual Session Homepage at www.prosthodontics.org/professionals/AnnualSession.

Register now for Marketing Your Prosthodontic Practice course



The ACP in collaboration with Healthcare Success Strategies is pleased to bring you a new course

offering this fall. Don't miss this two-day prosthodontic practice marketing course happening at the Hyatt Regency Philadelphia at Penn's Landing September 25-26. Learn how to enhance your practice brand and position yourself for patient growth as the economy rebounds, and how to develop and execute an effective practice marketing plan. To find out more about the course and to register visit the Meeting & Events page at www.prosthodontics.org.

ACP Education Foundation sponsors student member Annual Session registration fees

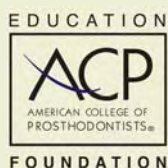


The ACPEF is pleased to welcome ACP student members to the 39th Annual Session at the Manchester Grand Hyatt in San Diego on Nov. 4-7. The ACPEF will pay the

entire \$150 registration fee for the first 235 qualifying ACP student members who register for Annual Session. To qualify, you must be a 2009 student member of the ACP and you must register for the meeting before August 14. Online registration is now open at www.prosthodontics.org.

The ACPEF will also provide \$150 travel stipends to 90 qualifying ACP student member registrants to offset some of the expenses of attending Annual Session. To collect the travel stipend, students must attend the student reception and the Technology Forum during the conference. For specific program details, please visit www.ACPEF.org.

Research fellowship applications due Oct. 15



The American College of Prosthodontists Education Foundation is committed to assisting the dental profession in its quest for continuous improvement in clinical care. This fall, the ACPEF will be awarding research fellowship grants up to \$6,000 to support meritorious research proposals

that seek to advance basic scientific and applied clinical knowledge in the area of Prosthodontics.

The ACPEF wishes to support promising research conducted by dental scientists-in-training. Any investigation relevant to prosthodontic care is appropriate, including all disciplines in prosthodontics: fixed, implant, maxillofacial and removable prosthetics.

Visit the ACPEF homepage at www.acpef.org to learn more about eligibility, guidelines and deadlines.



Carl Drago, D.D.S., M.S., F.A.C.P.

Dr. Carl Drago is Director of Dental Research at Biomet 3i, where he is responsible for clinical and laboratory research in implant restorative dentistry. Recently retired, Dr. Drago was in full-time private practice limited to prosthodontics for 26 years in LaCrosse, Wisc. Dr. Drago is also Adjunct Faculty, Department of Prosthodontics, Nova Southeastern University College of Dental Medicine.

As Director of Dental Research at Biomet 3i, Dr. Drago prepared a proposal for a laboratory study to determine the differences in volumetric accuracy between cast implant frameworks and CAD/CAM implant frameworks. CAD-CAM technology is opening new vistas for prosthodontic treatment. New technology also brings new questions concerning the efficacy of treatment. CAD-CAM technology has numerous advantages beyond traditional castings including one piece frameworks milled from solid blanks of titanium alloy, improved accuracy, and less expensive in terms of time and money. The University of Minnesota, Marquette University and Nova Southeastern University partnered with Biomet 3i, where a resident from each university completed the protocol, data were collected and dispersed back to each university. Dr. Drago collected the data from all three universities and recently submitted a manuscript to an implant journal. The resident from Nova Southeastern University has readied his project for submission to the ACP Sharry Award Competition. Dr. Drago plans to expand these research methods with additional universities for both laboratory and clinical studies.

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will feature esteemed speakers Drs. Harold Litvak, Donald Curtis and Niles Guichet who will address incisal guidance parameters, assessing occlusal stability, neuromuscular release and the importance of condylar determinants. The evening will conclude with the New Prosthodontist Reception and a new Annual Awards Dinner.

The Annual Luncheon and President's Dinner have been combined into one special event. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate the achievements of your colleagues, congratulate the new Diplomates of the College and connect with your Board of Directors leadership. ACP President Dr. Charles J. Goodacre will present the 2009 President's Award, and the 2010 ACP President Dr. Lyndon F. Cooper also will be inducted.

Saturday is filled with a variety of activities including new Rise and Shine Regional Meet and Greet Breakfasts, the Technology Forum, the Private Practice Workshop and a special program of Dental Technicians. The Technology Forum features the latest prosthodontic technologies from Astra Tech Dental, Ivoclar Vivadent, Nobel Biocare, Sirona and 3M ESPE.

An updated Private Practice Workshop led by Dr. David Eggleston is on tap Saturday afternoon featuring topics including: building a sole proprietor group practice, surviving in a flatter world, how to value a private practice, design the best prosthodontic office and achieve medical billing for prosthodontic procedures, creating a private practice Web site and how to transition from private practice into retirement?

2009 ACP Annual Session Registration Information

	Before September 25	After September 25
Members/Fellows	\$455	\$555
Non-Members	\$865	\$965
ACP Students Members	\$150	\$250
Pre-Doctoral Alliance Members	\$150	\$250
Academic Alliance Members	\$375	\$475
Global Alliance Members	\$375	\$475
Dental Technician Alliance Members	\$275	\$375
Alliance Technician Students	\$150	\$250
Forum Organization Members	\$585	\$685
Non-Alliance Technician Members	\$425	\$525
Dental Assistants, Hygienists, Office Staff	\$200	\$300
Saturday Only Pass Members	\$125	\$225
Saturday Only Pass Non-Members	\$150	\$250

The speakers bring a wealth of expertise for your consideration: Mr. Stewart Gandolf, M.B.A. from Healthcare Success Strategies and Mr. Seth Watson from Patterson Dental Supply, as well as private practitioners Drs. John Murrell, Alan Hickey and Susan E. Brackett followed by Dr. Bette Robin, who also holds a law degree with extensive knowledge on transitions.

The Exhibit Hall on Thursday and Friday, Table Clinics Competition on Thursday afternoon, a Companion Event at the San Diego Zoo and a special dinner for Federal Service prosthodontists are just a few of many more events surrounding this year's jam-packed conference in San Diego. Plan to come early and stay late to enjoy all San Diego has to offer. Rooms in the ACP Room Block are going quickly. Check out the ACP Web site for a link to the Manchester Grand Hyatt to make your reservations today.

For more information or to register now for the meeting online go to www.prosthodontics.org/AS. Register by Sept. 25 and save \$100.

ACP Fellow and colleagues present in Kuwait



Dr. William Johnson (left) and Dr. Richard Williamson presented lectures in Kuwait City at the 1st Dental Administration Conference.

BY RICHARD A. WILLIAMSON, D.D.S., M.S., F.A.C.P.

Drs. F. Salama (University of Nebraska), William Johnson and Richard Williamson (University of Iowa) presented lectures in Kuwait City at the 1st Dental Administration Conference sponsored by the Ministry of Health of Kuwait at the Palms Resort and Spa. Lectures were presented in English on optimizing pediatric dentistry by Dr. Salama and treating endodontic trauma, emergencies and nonsurgical root canal therapy by Dr. W. Johnson. In addition, Dr. R. Williamson presented perspectives on the treatment planning process in selecting between implant therapy or restoring root canal treated teeth, options for restoring endodontically treated teeth, all ceramic systems and cone beam CT technology in treatment planning for implant therapy.

Attendees were (approximately 150) general dentists and specialists from multiple Middle Eastern Countries. The conference began with

service of traditional Arabic tea and dates to dignitaries and speakers followed by the Minister of Health's address in Arabic and recitation of the Koran.

The Kuwait Dental School of Dentistry is a new first-class, state-of-the-art facility. Due to the competitive selection process and G.P.A. requirement, the majority of the students are female. Specialists are assigned to supervise students' clinical training. Dentists in private practice may provide prosthodontic care but only specialists may provide prosthodontic care in the Ministry of Health Dental Clinics.

The closing ceremonies were held in a hand-built replica of the ships used in the 17 & 18th centuries for trade of pearls and spices. Young dentists and dental students organized and coordinated the elaborate closing ceremonies and were most gracious hosts.

The people were very interested in the exchange of knowledge and philosophies and I would encourage others to visit Kuwait.

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ACP poised for social networking – stay tuned



NANCY DEAL CHANDLER,
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My last column in 2008 spoke to you about the technology communication tools the College has adopted. Now, the ACP plans to unveil some new social networking outlets to you later this year. According to Wikipedia, “a social network service focuses on building online communities of people who share interests and/or activities, or who are interested in exploring the interests and activities of others.” Scores of these services are out there on the Internet with millions networking literally every minute of every day—connecting with friends, colleagues and strangers alike. Social networking services like Facebook and the ACP’s Listservs for students, private practitioners, educators, program directors and dental technicians allow like-minded people to share their lives and their interests in easy-to-use formats. All of these social networks operate in a Web 2.0 environment, which is perceived as a second generation of Web development and design that facilitates two-way communication.

The PriceWaterhouse Coopers report, “Top Nine Health Industry Issues in 2009,” is an annual review of the most pressing and disruptive issues for health executives and policy makers (available online at www.pwc.com). This report cites social networking on the Internet as a powerful extended health technology that will empower patients and connect them with their providers in new ways. The report notes that vast deposits of online health information and growing patient-to-patient interaction over social networking platforms are changing how healthcare is navigated and experienced by consumers, especially as electronic health records become more common. If you have not already experienced online communication with a patient, it’s

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likely you will in the future and that social networks will impact your practice if only in a small way. In the coming months, the College will be asking for your input in a few short online surveys about how social networks are/may affect your practice, so please do share your insights with us and your colleagues.

While online social networks are all about individuals seeking a community online, you can do some real old fashioned, face-to-face social networking if you come on out to San Diego this fall and join us for the College’s 39th Annual Session. You can even “Twitter” in the on-site Internet Cafe if you wish. Join in social events, planned and informal, starting with the spectacular U.S.S. Midway Reception on Wednesday and on Friday evening, the new Annual Awards Dinner that combines the Annual Awards Luncheon with President’s Dinner into one very special event. You can network in person with your peers, former faculty, students and classmates, so why not plan to meet and get to know 5-10 new folks that you may know now only by name? Also, do take time to meet your staff from the College’s Central Office—we may know you by name, but would really appreciate being able to put your face with your name.

In Jim Collins book, “Good to Great,” he observes that successful enterprises are those that are internally driven but externally aware—so leave your daily routine and these challenging economic time behind and take a few days to renew and re-energize with your prosthodontic community at the ACP’s 39th Annual Session!

Prosthodontics Champion: Dr. Niles Guichet

It was indeed an honor to be recognized by the College as “a tireless contributor to the specialty of prosthodontics,” and as such have the spotlight turned on me as a prosthodontic champion to share significant insights into my prosthodontic career and my vision for the future of the specialty of prosthodontics.



Dr. Niles Guichet

supervision. Working in teams of two, each participant would see four patients equilibrated. Typically, with the proper curriculum and training aids, these skills can be mastered in this amount of time.

My vision for the future of prosthodontics is that this same educational experience will be introduced in the near term at the

didactic level in dental schools; and subsequently, the participative training in occlusal equilibration of the natural dentition will be provided in prosthodontic specialty programs and/or at the Continuing Education level. Currently, my goal is to partner with the College to insure that this or an equivalent educational system be championed and implemented by the prosthodontic community under the auspices of the ACP in the very near term, so that prosthodontic graduate students of these programs can be the study group directors and educators of tomorrow in their communities. This will more clearly allow the new prosthodontists to identify in their community the distinguishing factors of general practice and prosthodontic training, and simultaneously facilitate their own practice growth, success and enhanced self-esteem.

It is without question that the powerful influence of the mentorship of Drs. Dan Gordon, Alex Koper and Arnie Lauritzen; and the acquisition of effective occlusion treatment skills and Prosthodontic Board Certification early in my career powerfully impacted my future in dentistry and self-esteem, and the satisfaction I received from teaching and practice.

To summarize, in 1956 I entered into 12 years of private practice following my stint in military service. In 1968 I left private practice, and for the next 18 years on a full-time basis I presented participative community study group educational programs, at which each participant would perform all of the steps in occlusal therapy from diagnosis, treatment planning, occlusal appliance therapy, and occlusal equilibration of the natural dentition on two patients under close instructor

Welcome New Members

Welcome New Members (Approved by the Board of Directors during the June meeting.)

Student Members

Dr. Teresita Hernandez
Dr. John Madden
Dr. Brian Nelson
Dr. Jorge Palavicini
Dr. Souren Rostomian
Dr. Mario Rotella
Dr. Simon Samo
Dr. Aysegul Siranli
Dr. Diana Ulrickson
Dr. Sorin Uram-Tuculescu
Dr. Bridget Willet
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Predoctoral Student Alliance Member

Dr. Chan W. Cheong
Dr. Jared Mayer
Dr. Brian H. Nelson

Fellow

Dr. Kuang-Han Chang
Dr. Jorge Mauricio Hervas

Member

Dr. Gregory Ken Louie

Academic Alliance Member

Dr. Nachum Samet

Dental Technician Alliance Member

Mr. Assen Dobrikov

Membership Status Changes

Reinstated Members

Dr. Kaz Fotoohi
Dr. Arthur Khurshudian

Reinstated International Fellow

Dr. Takayoshi Suda

Members to Active Life Members

Dr. Stephen Ancowitz

Members to Retired Life Members

Dr. Marvin Carmen
Dr. Thomas Huff
Dr. Howard Katz
Dr. F. James Kratochvil
Dr. Steven Leibowitz
Dr. Donald Mangual
Dr. Murray Nelson
Dr. Warren Speiser



Section revival in Illinois

The Illinois Section met on March 26 at Maggiano's restaurant in downtown Chicago for their first meeting in many years. The officers, Dr. Kevin Kopp, president; Dr. Mark Hutten, vice president; Dr. Farhad Fayz, secretary and Dr. Howard Jeon, treasurer, welcomed 20 members of the Illinois section to the dinner meeting. Dr. Kopp and Ms. Nathalie Williams, ACP sections manager, spoke about current College events and activities including: Section incorporation, regional e-newsletters, highlights of the upcoming Annual Session and marketing and advertising programs. The Illinois Section members are enthusiastic about their fresh start and they planned their next meeting at the end of July.

Oklahoma Section presents award



Dr. David Sather presents a \$300.00 award to Dr. Luran Spencer

The Oklahoma Section of the ACP, represented by Dr. David Sather, presented a \$300 award to Dr. Luran Spencer, an AEGD resident at the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry, for her poster titled "A digital approach in designing custom milled implant supported abutments and restorations." The award was presented on April 14 at the College of Dentistry's 28th Annual Scientific Day.



Pictured in the photo from left to right are: Dr. Frank Tuminelli, Dr. George White, Dr. Marion Brown, ACP Region 1 Director Dr. Lawrence E. Brecht; NY Section Vice President Dr. Debra Cohn, Dr. Lyndon Cooper, NY Section Secretary/Treasurer Dr. Caroline Grasso, Dr. Dan Schweitzer, and NY Section President Dr. Carlos Alfonso.

New York Section spring meeting

ACP President-Elect Dr. Lyndon F. Cooper presented an implant supported overdenture framework design, materials and their evolution lecture to the Section meeting attendees. In return, the NY Section honored Dr. Cooper with an award. The fall meeting will be in October 2009 with Dr. Clark Stanford as the keynote speaker.

In Memorial

The College and the Board of Directors remember the following colleague who is deceased:

Dr. Lester E. Rosenthal, D.D.S.

ACP Fellow receives Oklahoma University's Regents' Alumni Award



Dr. Susan E. "Betsy" Brackett

ACP fellow and Public and Professional Relations Division Director Dr. Susan E. "Betsy" Brackett is one of 10 exceptional University of Oklahoma alumni and friends who received a 2009 Regents' Alumni Award for their dedication and service to OU. Presented by the OU Board of Regents and OU Alumni Association, the Regents' Alumni Award is a testament to the important roles OU alumni and supporters play in the life of the university. A committee formed by the Alumni Association selects the award recipients from nominations made by alumni, friends, and OU faculty and staff. The names of each year's recipients are engraved on a permanent plaque in Oklahoma Memorial Union. An OU graduate,

Brackett is a longtime generous donor to the university. She earned her dentistry degree from OU in 1978, and received her Certificate in fixed prosthodontics and Master of Science degree from the University of Iowa in 1987.

Drs. Paquette and Wu featured in *Dentistry Today*



Dr. Jacinthe Paquette



Dr. Jean Wu

ACP members and practice partners Dr. Jacinthe Paquette and Dr. Jean Wu were featured in the May 2009 issue of *Dentistry Today*. The article was entitled "Aesthetic Excellence: How Oral Care Affects Systemic Health." "Our article in *Dentistry Today* outlined how a comprehensive treatment approach can provide our patients with an opportunity to improve their overall health through managing their oral health," explained Dr. Wu. "When patients present for

initial limited treatment, we can educate them on what other conditions are present and then systematically stage their treatment to provide a favorable outcome. Our utilization of technology, such as the clinical microscope, allows us to achieve the precision in dentistry necessary for the longevity and health of our patients. The *Dentistry Today* staff was very professional, timely, and accessible for our team."

ACP Fellow featured in *Men's Health*

ACP fellow Dr. Robert Wright was recently featured in the May 2009 issue of *Men's Health Magazine*. A reader posed the question in the expert advice column, "Is there any real difference between a \$100 powered toothbrush and a \$7 one?" Dr. Wright explained that the effectiveness of a toothbrush is all in the spin. While most of the best rotating toothbrushes are higher priced, there are many mid-ranged brushes that work just as well.

"I was very pleased to participate in the interview after I was contacted by *Men's Health Magazine*," said Dr. Wright. "I worked with an editor and I was able to proof the manuscript prior to it being published. I emphasized to the publisher that I was a specialist in prosthodontics and the importance of oral health and hygiene to our specialty but they chose to omit my specialty. However, they did mention my appointment at Harvard School of Dental Medicine and I have already heard from many colleagues around the country who saw the article in *Men's Health* so therefore I suppose this is good publicity for prosthodontics also!"

ACP member named Dean of USC School of Dentistry



Dr. Avishai Sadan

ACP member Dr. Avishai Sadan has been named dean of the University of Southern California School of Dentistry. He will join USC from Case Western Reserve University School of Dental Medicine where he currently is Associate Dean of Clinical Affairs and Professor and Chair of the Department of Comprehensive Care. His new position at USC will take effect August 1. Dr. Sadan was the former editor-in-chief of *Quintessence International*, and the editor-in-chief of *Quintessence of Dental Technology (QDT)*. He received his training in prosthodontics from the Louisiana State University School of Dentistry and has also completed a fellowship in prosthodontics emphasizing esthetic and implant dentistry at LSU.

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Arizona & Colorado – PROSTHODONTISTS WANTED: Opportunities available in CO & AZ, for part and full-time Prosthodontists with exceptional compensation. Call Dr. Mark Birner at (303) 691-0680, e-mail at mbirner@birnerdental.com or visit www.BDMS-PerfectTeeth.com.

Illinois (Chicago) – Leading implant center in Chicago and suburbs seeking a full or part time prosthodontist. Huge potential for growth. Please contact Tina at 630-229-2776 or e-mail to tina@yourimplantsolutions.com.

Kansas (Overland Park) – Looking for a highly motivated, enthusiastic prosthodontist to join this well established practice in a high income suburb of Kansas City. The position will lead to a partnership or full ownership; arrangements can be flexible. The facility is 7 years old with an in-house laboratory. Collections of over \$1M per year. Treatment is equally distributed between fixed, removable and implant prosthodontics. Implant surgical placement has been performed for 5 years. The practice draws from all over the metropolitan area and from up to 5 hours away. A great opportunity for anyone who truly enjoys practicing this specialty. Please send inquiries or resumes to: dcipra@sbeglobal.net.

Massachusetts (Boston) – Director of Simulation Learning (Faculty Position)

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This is a full-time faculty position at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor. Salary and academic rank are commensurate with the candidate's qualifications and experience. A Masters Degree in Education is required. A Doctorate Degree in Education/Health Sciences, a Dental degree (DMD) from an ADA-accredited school and eligibility for licensure in Massachusetts are preferred but not required. Also preferred but not required are five to ten years of experience in dental/health professions education or delivery and three to five years of simulation clinic experience.

The successful candidate must be Computer/Technology literate and experienced in the use of technology and learning in a simulation environment as well as fluent in Microsoft Office and Adobe.

The committee will review applications upon receipt and will accept applications until the position is filled. Applicants should send curriculum vitae, a statement describing their scholarly and simulation accomplishments and interests, and

the names and addresses of three references to:

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Kansas (Overland Park) – Well established, fee-for-service practice in growing, high income suburb of Kansas City. Great referral base allowing for all types of prosthodontic treatment. In-house lab in 7 year old, 2,300 sq ft, 4 operator office. Well located for easy access from all over the city. A confident, personable individual will do extremely well in this practice. Please send resume and information to: dcipra@sbeglobal.net.

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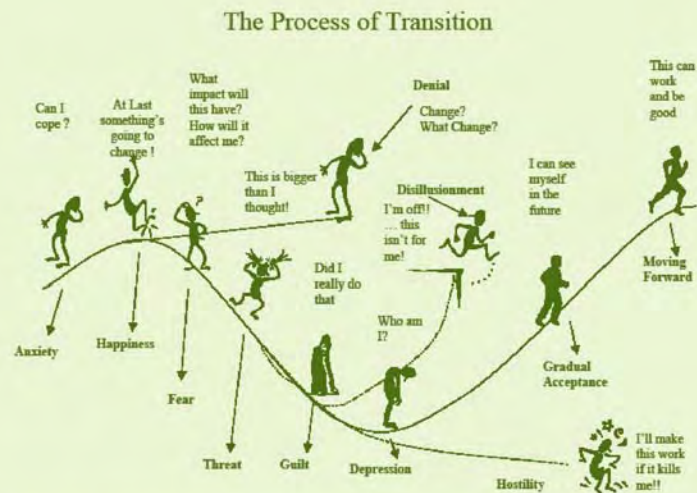
A personal transition into an organization of change

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Change. It is continuous. I am more aware of this than ever before. As the President-Elect of your American College of Prosthodontists, I have begun the transition from engaged participant to engaged leader of this organization. I have found some humorous comfort in Fisher's diagrammatic representation of transition.



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Following some extremely talented Past Presidents of the College, imagine how millisecond brief the Happiness phase lasted before the Fear and Treat and Guilt phases crept upon me. Ever the optimist, I find myself in the moving forward mode, envisioning a future that I know will be good. What inspires me is that this process of transition occurs annually and our College is prospering with it. Please let me explain.

The ACP has well defined goals and strategic approaches to meet these goals that contribute to our collective successful futures. Some of these strategies mean change for each of us. As we meet these goals, they enforce the collective, strong national identity for prosthodontists and prosthodontics. This identity is cast against a detailed landscape of the dental profession that is also changing with and without our valuable input.

Among the challenges facing prosthodontics, at least five key matters are of immediate concern. They include: 1.) discipline vs. specialty where 50 percent of general practice comes from prosthodontic services; 2.) changing expectations related to prosthesis quality, esthetics and implant services; 3.) changing demographics including increasing elderly, increasing partial edentulism and retreatment of the restored dentition; 4.) access to care represented by socioeconomic diversity and 5.) technology challenging the specialty through diagnostics, manufacturing and communications. For each of these challenges (and others) the ACP leadership has organized responses to meet the needs of our members and the patients they serve.

The ACP is organized to help its members embrace change in our profession and within dentistry. It is said that change fails because people never align with bad ideas. Fortunately, the collective goals of the College represent sound ideas and there is great support for them. It is also said that change involves acquiring new skills. Unfortunately, people just don't stop doing what they are doing. Change agents profess that discussion or consultation facilitates change. Our ACP community is rapidly developing a culture of consultation; examples include our educator/ mentors meetings and a streamlined governance that permits Regions and Sections to meet for discussions of merit that are brought directly to the leadership for action. Resistance to change is also attributed to organizations that don't have time to adjust their goals or consult with their members at the time of crisis. Here too, the College has penned an organizational design and built a Central Office staff to meet crises and address change as a normal experience. My inspiration for membership in the American College of Prosthodontists is its timeless resilience and adaptability to emerging issues and matters of oral health and related politics.

We face challenging times. We have opportunities to enhance the specialty. Be engaged. Help the ACP meet these challenges. Identify your personal opportunities for professional enhancement; connect with the College and help change prosthodontics to change the world of oral healthcare in America.

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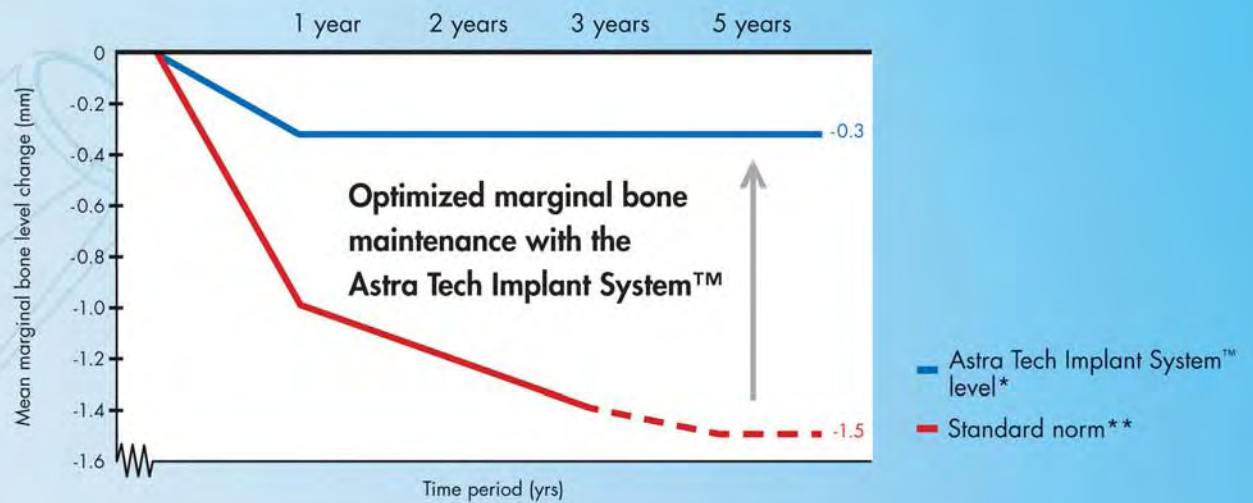
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