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AAO House of Delegates in Orlando scores big changes for the future

One of the resolutions passed at the House of Delegates in May encouraged the AAO to promote the understanding of governance of the organization to the membership. Therefore, it is appropriate to highlight the events of the House which was held recently in Orlando.

Each year MSO's delegation tries to mix older, more seasoned delegates with younger individuals interested in the future of the AAO. This year's delegation was



(l to r) Brent Larson, Steve Marshall and Jackie Miller listening to discussion at the House of Delegates in Orlando.

no exception. The delegation was made up of Drs. **Brent Larson** as chair, **Steven Marshall** as vice chair, **Michael Inda**, **Stephen Roehm**, **Stephen Litton**, **Cecile Yoon-Tarlie**, **Jacqueline Miller**, **Thomas Stark** and **Arnold Hill**. These individuals represented a wide range of geographic areas, gender, experience as a delegate, practice patterns and age of the members of the MSO. In addition, Dr. **Lee Graber**, MSO's trustee, and Ms. **Kristi Burmeister**, MSO's executive director, were helpful in keeping the delegation on-track. Drs. Inda and Litton also served on Reference Committees.

Based on MSO's resolution in 2002 requesting that the AAO study the efficiency of the House of Delegates and the subsequent Leadership Conference in January 2003 concentrating on the governance of the organization, the 2004 AAO House voted by an overwhelming majority to reduce the schedule of the House, starting in 2006. It will change from the current four days of activities to two days. Day one will have caucuses in the morning followed by the first House in the afternoon which will be followed by the Budget Review and Reference Committee meetings. The second day of activities will have caucuses in the morning followed by a joint luncheon for additional networking and the second House in the afternoon. While there have been many MSO leaders involved in this issue over the years, Dr. **Keith Levin**, who also served on the Leadership Conference Committee Task Force, really promoted the change. The brilliant on-floor activity of MSO Delegation Chair Larson, working through PCSO and SWSO, resulted in a last-minute revision of the resolution that actually brought a more radical schedule change than the delegation originally thought possible from the caucuses.

MSO's resolution relating to increasing access to quality orthodontic care in those states with underserved or impoverished areas will be studied by COHC and COGA with a report and recommendation to the AAO BOT and House by 2006. Thanks to Dr. **Jackie Miller** for initiating this resolution!

Other exciting news on the House floor was that

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President's Report

My term will conclude this fall and I would like to thank the membership for the opportunity to serve and the support that has been given to my presidency. It has been a wonderful experience and I have personally gained through interaction with many fine individuals. Thank you to the Board and all of the supporting members for their commitment to our society and their willingness to serve the MSO.

Dr. **Michael Hipp**, Des Moines, Iowa, will be completing his term as the director from Iowa this fall, as he will move up to the MSO Executive Committee as secretary-treasurer, pending final election. He will be replaced by Dr. **Paul Hermanson**, Marshalltown, Iowa.

Dr. **Michael Keim**, Fargo, North Dakota, will be completing his term as the director from North Dakota. Mike, thank you for sharing your time and talents with the MSO. I congratulate you on a job well done. He will be replaced by Dr. **Dennis Sommers**, Minot, North Dakota.

Our MSO Ad Interim Board Meeting was held in St. Louis on March 11-12. We began preliminary discussions regarding resolutions for the AAO House of Delegates meeting in Orlando. We reviewed other delegation issues, completed Board housekeeping issues and had special AAO staff presentations. We had a special board dinner for Dr. **Stephen Litton**, the winner of the prestigious

2003 Earl E. Shepard Distinguished Service Award. Many AAO staff and members of Steve's family joined our Board in celebrating Steve's accomplishments. It was truly a special evening.

Drs. **Lee Graber** (MSO Trustee), **Keith Levin** (MSO President, 2000) and **Thomas Stark** (MSO President,



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2003) carried the torch to the AAO leadership to streamline the efficiency of the AAO House of Delegates. I must praise the efforts of the 2004 AAO House of Delegates. Dr. **Brent Larson**, chair, and Dr. **Steven Marshall**, vice-chair of the delegation, led a very productive session in Orlando, and we were able to pass a resolution to streamline the governance process at the AAO Annual Sessions. Our MSO was great! Our MSO is great!! We led the charge for change and after years of hard work saw the fruits of our labor. I also must congratulate Dr. **Jackie Miller**. She ran her first resolution, a study on quality of care, "up the pole"

and it passed on the first vote.

Please set your plans to attend the MSO Annual Session and "Catch the Spark." You should have received registration materials in May. If not, please contact the GLAO registration office at 614/221-5720. The meeting will be held in Chicago on October 1-3, 2004, at the Hyatt Regency Chicago. For hotel reservations call the hotel at 800/233-1234.

Dr. **Steven Marshall**, general arrangements chair, and the Annual Session Committee have planned a unique program featuring over 20 separate speakers during this all-day Friday, all-day Saturday and half-day Sunday lecture series. The scientific lecture program will feature a number of speakers, including **Barry Sears**, M.D., Ph.D., author of "The Zone," on healthy living and Drs. **Jim Hilgers** and **David Hatcher**. The staff program will feature Mr. **Bruce Christopher**, Dr. **Straty Righellis** and Ms. **Joan Garbo**. Orthodontic resident research from the "best and the brightest" from MSO and GLAO universities also will be presented. A highlight of the meeting will be the Friday night dinner dance featuring the 2004 Earl E. Shepard Distinguished Service Award presentation to Dr. **Bailey Jacobson**, keynote speaker **Barry Sears**, M.D., Ph.D., and dancing and fun.

I would like to thank the following MSO members for serving on the 2004 MSO/GLAO Annual Session Committee: Drs. **Steven Marshall**, Buffalo Grove, Illinois, as general arrangements chair; **John Kanyusik**, Mankato, Minnesota, as scientific program chair; **Paula Harre**, Lincoln, Nebraska, as staff program chair; **Tom Southard**, Iowa City, Iowa, as orthodontic university research program chair; **Mike Hayward**, Palatine, Illinois, as exhibits committee chair; **Randy Wright**, Geneva, Illinois, as volunteer and signage chair; and **Paul and Bridgette Castelein**, Princeton, Illinois, as social committee co-chairs.

In conclusion, everyone must know that Burmeister and Associates continue to shine. Our executive director, **Kristi Burmeister**, has done an excellent job representing our society and assisting the leadership in a courteous and professional manner. Please take the time at our annual session to meet and thank the staff for a job well done.

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MSO-WFO 2005

Start making plans now to attend the MSO-WFO meeting, September 11-15, 2005, in Paris, France. Initial information has been sent to you, but if you need more information, please contact the WFO at www.wfoparis2005.org or 800/424-2841.

Trustee's Report

WE DID IT!!!

For those of you who have been following this column and other articles in the *MSO Newsletter* over the past few years, you will remember that we have been hard at work helping to revamp the AAO House of Delegates. Last year a special AAO Leadership Conference was held, based on an MSO-sponsored resolution, to look at future governance planning for the AAO. As a result, we were able to join other constituencies and support recommendations for a streamlined AAO House of Delegates. The final resolution passed the 2004 House of Delegates meeting in Orlando with tremendous support, which bodes well for the implementation which starts in 2006.

What does it mean...and why should you be interested?

1. The current AAO House of Delegates schedule requires a time commitment for participants of four days. The re-organization will allow this to be cut in half. Members who have been unable to participate due to other responsibilities (meeting, practice, family), now will be able to do so due to the significant decrease in "on-site" commitment of time and energy.
2. Utilization of electronic modes of communication will increase, allowing more direct member input into the process as the AAO considers topics of importance to YOU. Might you have something to say about the education crisis, insurance issues, governmental regulatory impact on orthodontics, continuing education or distance learning? Your input will count!
3. The new schedule and use of improved electronic communication will promote year-round business processes for the organization. This will allow more timely consideration of important issues.

Eventually, there likely will be decreased cost to the AAO for "association governmental" maintenance as seen in other professional organizations who have streamlined their processes. Several have voiced the opinion that this is a first major step towards review of the entire AAO structure with potential improvements throughout the organization. Certainly, a vibrant association needs to always look inside and make sure that it remains relevant to its members.

The success in making these changes has been a long time in coming, supported over the years by excellent work of the MSO delegations. Key to the process has been the work of Dr. **Keith Levin** who helped articulate the MSO concerns by way of the original resolutions and his work on the AAO special committee on governance. Keith was helped on that committee by Dr. **Tom Stark** and in prior years by the late Dr. **Doug Eversoll** as well as Dr. **Jim Hugg**. This year the MSO delegation was led by Dr. **Brent**

Larson as chair and Dr. **Steve Marshall** as vice chair. They were able not only to organize our own delegation but also to maintain an air of open communication with our colleagues in other parts of the country which allowed a free flow of information and understanding. Would that the leaders in



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Congress in Washington could do so well! The strength of the work this year was in our representatives who spoke to other delegates. Our delegation also included Drs. **Arnie Hill, Mike Inda, Steve Litton, Steve Roehm, Jackie Miller, Cecile Yoon-Tarlie** and **Tom Stark**. Drs. **Keith Levin** and **Babette Cohen**, while unable to be in Orlando, were instrumental in making contacts prior to the meeting. The work of these folks in articulating our opinions, sharing with our colleagues and developing a consensus that spoke to regional concerns was critical. When you see these colleagues, give them a big THANKS!

While we remain a volunteer-driven organization, we need to give special mention to our Executive Director, **Kristi Burmeister**. Kristi has been with us long enough to be well versed in the workings of the AAO. Her input during the meeting was invaluable to our overall success.

While governance was the #1 issue for the MSO delegation, there were other policy issues that were adopted during the 2004 session. Included was an important change in our *AAO Principles of Ethics Advisory*. The thrust of the change was to specify that it is unethical for an AAO member to misrepresent his or her board certification — members and those they employ shall represent their credentials, certifications and licenses accurately. It is unethical to announce, advertise or represent credentials or certifications as similar or comparable to other dissimilar credentials or certifications. For example, it is unethical to create an inference of Board certification by, or as comparable to, the American Board of Orthodontics when the certifying board is not the American Board of Orthodontics.

The AAO always is looking to develop liaisons with commercial services that will be of benefit to our members. A new "AAO-approved" service provides transaction processing and payment technologies. TransFirst Health Services has developed a special program

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Membership Report

Current Membership – June 2, 2004

Active Members	991
Affiliate Members	7
Associate Members	24
Retired Members	272
Total Members	1,294

Active Membership by Component

Illinois	355
Iowa	82
Manitoba	23
Minnesota	154
Missouri	154
Nebraska	48
North Dakota	11
South Dakota	17
Wisconsin	147

Deceased Members

Robert W. Huffman – Sun City, Arizona (Illinois)
William C. Levihn – Sayner, Wisconsin
John H. Murphy – Plymouth, Minnesota

Donald H. Renneke – Holiday, Florida (Minnesota)
Dan H. Watkins – Moline, Illinois
Robert W. Young – Des Moines, Iowa

Active to Retired Members

Walter A. Handzlik – West Bend, Wisconsin
D. David Kinser – Des Moines, Iowa

New Associate Members

M. Kevin Cook – Des Peres, Missouri
Darren Rodabough – St. Peters, Missouri

Transfers to/from MSO

Crystiane Couto – From St. Louis, Missouri to SWSO
Daniel M. Meyers – From McHenry, Illinois to RMSO

Cancelled Memberships

Maurice Burckhardt – San Rafael, California (Minnesota)
Peter Lagios – Naperville, Illinois
Sandra Lee – Chicago, Illinois
Clarence Magnuson – Marshfield, Wisconsin
Robert J. Weber – Wheaton, Illinois

*Membership data from December 9, 2003 to June 1, 2004

News and Notes about our Members

- Congratulations to Dr. **Gilbert J. Schmidtke**, Appleton, Wisconsin, who was given an award for his outstanding service and contributions to the profession as an instructor at Marquette University.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Ernest M. Taeger**, Florissant, Missouri, on his election as a Fellow of the American College of Dentists.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Thomas E. Southard**, Iowa City, Iowa, who is the new chair of the Council on Scientific Affairs.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Keith R. Erickson**, Eagan, Minnesota, upon his election as president of the St. Paul District Dental Society.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Francis J. Miller**, Washington, Missouri, for receiving a Certificate of Recognition for Volunteer Service in a Foreign Country from the American Dental Association.
- Congratulations to Drs. **Sean R. Holliday**, University of Illinois-Chicago; **Adam N. Lee**, University of Iowa; **Anne D. Angle**, Mayo Clinic; **Emily R. O'Keiff**, University of Minnesota; **Justin Trimmell**, University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Colin Gibson**, University of Nebraska; and **Paul M. Halgren**, Saint Louis University, as participants in the first Resident Clinician Scholars Program held in Orlando in May. Special congratulations to Dr. Holliday who placed third in the basic science competition.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Arnold J. Hill**, Rochester, Minnesota, as the Guest of Honor of the Minnesota Dental Association.
- Congratulations to Drs. **Cheryl Anderson-Cermin**, St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin; **Kurt T. Bowers**, Bloomington, Illinois; **Kevin P. Lucas**, Buffalo Grove, Illinois; **Mart G. McClellan**, Vernon Hills, Illinois; **Thomas E. Moore**, Grandview, Missouri; and **Stuart I. Robb**, Gurnee, Illinois, for becoming Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics.
- Congratulations to Drs. **Patrick M. Bauer**, Springfield, Missouri; **Jennifer G. Eggemeyer**, Chicago, Illinois; **Kenneth S. Hauser**, Chicago, Illinois; **Hugh J. Murdoch**, Madison, Wisconsin; **Karen Seder**, Chicago, Illinois; and **Clarence E. Simmons**, Kansas City, Missouri; for passing the 2004 Board Case Record Oral Examination.
- Congratulations to Drs. **Adriana Da Silveira**, University of Illinois-Chicago; **Thomas Southard**, University of Iowa; and **Chin-Yu Lin**, Saint Louis University, for receiving research awards from the AAOF.

Treasurer's Report

Income and Expenses

Actual 2002, Actual 2003
Actual to date 2004, Budget 2004

Income:	Actual 2002	Actual 2003	Actual 2004	Budget 2004
401 Membership Fees	115,155.00	114,111.00	1,300.00	130,000.00
402 Applicant Fees	1,020.00	810.00	0.00	1,000.00
403 Interest	3,554.54	2,459.72	707.06	5,000.00
410 Annual Session Income	43,987.48	30,037.42	179,036.56	455,000.00
Total Income	<u>\$163,717.02</u>	<u>\$147,418.14</u>	<u>\$180,873.62</u>	<u>\$591,000.00</u>
Expenses:				
501 President's Expense Reimbursement	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
502 President-Elect's Expense Reimbursement	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
503 Secretary/Treasurer's Expense Reimburse.	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
503A Newsletter Editor's Expense Reimburse.	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
504 Printing, Copies and By-Laws	1,633.09	858.29	587.70	1,700.00
505 Postage	1,351.72	1,301.94	339.08	1,500.00
506 Administrative Office	73,400.00	77,384.00	37,152.00	75,000.00
507 Executive Secretary Travel/Hotel	2,507.48	1,261.20	944.80	2,500.00
508 Phone	313.33	486.59	252.12	500.00
509 Supplies	498.97	171.89	182.96	600.00
510 Bank Fees/Miscellaneous	746.66	548.25	297.37	750.00
511 Fidelity Bond & Liability Insurance	745.00	953.00	544.00	900.00
512 Directors' & Officers' Liability Insurance	2,163.95	2,400.08	2,931.67	2,450.00
513 Dues Billing Charges	981.00	984.00	933.00	1,000.00
515 AAO Delegation—Meeting	1,378.07	780.59	1,067.84	1,500.00
516 AAO Delegation—Per Diem	1,080.00	960.00	1,040.00	1,440.00
517 AAO Delegation—Travel/Hotel	15,853.57	14,422.54	8,874.80	14,000.00
519 AAO Foundation	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
520 MSO Ad Interim—Meeting/Council	772.10	2,326.62	2,606.19	4,000.00
521 MSO Ad Interim—Per Diem	440.00	680.00	1,040.00	1,120.00
522 MSO Ad Interim—Travel/Hotel	5,501.77	7,656.63	8,851.39	8,000.00
524 Accountant	2,191.25	2,360.85	3,015.16	2,400.00
525 Recognition Awards	369.00	579.88	0.00	500.00
526 Newsletter	8,384.15	7,296.01	3,951.75	9,500.00
528 MSO Annual Session—Per Diem	440.00	560.00	0.00	560.00
529 MSO Annual Session—Travel/Hotel	4,283.29	9,355.75	0.00	6,000.00
530 Executive Committee Contingency	49.73	45.15	42.56	250.00
531 AAO Leadership Conference	1,884.64	2,059.82	6,367.28	1,900.00
534 President's Reception Fund (2003)	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
536 GORP Contribution	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
539 Student/Educator Grants	750.00	1,990.00	0.00	2,000.00
600 Annual Session Expenses	28,771.55	3,945.00	31,285.96	413,750.00
Total Expenses	<u>\$161,790.32</u>	<u>\$146,768.08</u>	<u>\$115,807.63</u>	<u>\$558,970.00</u>
Net Income	<u>\$1,926.70</u>	<u>\$650.06</u>	<u>\$65,065.99</u>	<u>\$32,030.00</u>

Cash Assets – As of June 1, 2004

A. Checking/Investment Accounts		B. President Reception Fund	
Money Market	\$34,216.23	Money Market	\$604.02
CDs	\$99,740.00	Treasury Note	\$3,659.00
Mutual Fund Portfolio	\$41,897.00	Subtotal	\$4,263.02
Subtotal	\$175,853.23	C. 2004 MSO/GLAO Annual Session Fund	
		Money Market	\$171,044.05
		Subtotal	\$171,044.05
		Total Cash Assets	\$351,160.30

AAO Council Reports

These reports are submitted by MSO's representative on each of these councils.

Council on Communications

There has not been a meeting of the Council since the last newsletter. The next meeting is August 6.

Please contact me if you have any questions, concerns or ideas.

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Council on Insurance

The Council met as this issue of the newsletter was in production. For information on the various insurance products offered by the our organization, please contact the AAO at 800/622-0344 or me.

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Council on Governmental Affairs

COGA met March 19, 2004, in Washington D.C. under the direction of council chair Dr. **Nahid Maleki**. Dr. **Michael Rogers** gave a Trustee's report for issues that were relevant to COGA. Specifically, the trustees approved COGA's recommendation to amend AAO's Key Contact Manual to include information about the importance of AAO members, spouses and families supporting presidential candidates. The committee also was given an update on Jacksonville University's accreditation process for their orthodontic program. The AAO has pursued all avenues that are possible in expressing our concern about the accreditation process.

TMD insurance coverage is specific to each state. COGA suggested that a guide be sent to component organizations to provide information about each state's statute concerning TMD coverage and a methodology to change the statute in each state if necessary. This has been sent recently to each component organization.

The Indigent Care Program was approved by the Board last fall. This program allows an orthodontist to create a list of indigent patients that a member of Congress could then select to treat pro-bono. The member of Con-

gress would then get some positive press by being part of this child's selection and treatment. Each orthodontist would select the congressman with whom to work. COGA member Dr. **Jack Beattie** was the first participant. This program is being fine-tuned and a more definitive recommendation will be forthcoming.

COGA suggested some changes be made to the AAOPAC booth at the Orlando meeting. These included listing all Key Contact members and updating the display.

Tim Haake, AAO lobbyist, gave a detailed report on current legislation that would be of interest to the AAO members including patient protection, medical savings accounts, association health plans, direct reimbursement via the military benefit program, graduate medical education, ergonomics, medical malpractice reform, changes in student loan interest deductions and the children's dental health improvement act.

Immediately following the COGA meeting, the 2004 Governmental Affairs Conference was held. AAO members from all component societies met to discuss current legislative opportunities for the AAO and then met with members of Congress to convey the AAO's position.

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Council on Information Technology

The Council on Information Technology has met twice since the last newsletter. Our regular Council meeting was January 16-18. One of the primary agenda items for this meeting was the Web site redesign project which I mentioned in the last newsletter. To address this project, two people from Figleaf, our Web development partner, also attended the meeting. We made considerable progress in defining the needs of our new Web site, but it was clear that we needed to meet again to focus strictly on the organization and layout that we wanted to incorporate into the new site to keep the project moving forward. We met again in April with the Figleaf people and an outside facilitator to further describe the layout and features that we feel are important to make the Web site easy to use for AAO members. The result of the April meeting is a summary document that will help direct Figleaf and the AAO staff as the development continues. It amazes me what a huge undertaking this is for a site such as the AAO's that

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incorporates many functions and features. This project likely will take nearly a year to complete, but the hope is that it will make the Web site easier to use and ultimately be an even more important member service in the future.

In March a series of e-mails were received by many AAO members and appeared to come either from the AAO or from other AAO members. All of these e-mails were related to infected computers outside the AAO and were the result of many new viruses infecting the Internet during that time. These viruses are becoming more destructive and prolific with each new version. The AAO servers were never infected and were not compromised by a hacker. The AAO continues to protect its servers with the latest anti-virus software to protect the AAO and its members.

The practice management software survey results are now available on the AAO Web site at <http://www.aaomembers.org>. The survey results are broken down by software vendor and product. From the results, it is clear that most companies have some work to do in order to meet our expectations in the areas of service and support!

Dr. **Richard Savage** has taken over as chair and will do a wonderful job in guiding this Council. I have worked with Rich for many years and look forward to his leadership as I complete my final year on the Council. As always, I would appreciate any feedback regarding the Web site or other technology issues.

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Council on Membership, Ethics and Judicial Concerns

Since the last report, the Council has met twice by conference call – February 2 and April 7.

There was some discussion on the need to establish a methodology to review individual programs and services on a regular basis to evaluate member usage and determine whether each program and service should be continued or eliminated. Staff is going to check with other associations and professions to get some direction on this project.

There was discussion about the development of a survey or research family for international members to help determine how the AAO can best service the needs of this growing segment of members.

Both conference calls addressed the relationship between COMEJC and NYMAC and the duplicity of efforts to different membership groups. In the end, it was decided that the two Councils (NYMAC became a Council in May

in Orlando) need to work much closer in many aspects of membership activities.

The topic of the membership process and dues for residents also was discussed. The Council decided to keep dues at the current \$20 level.

With the assistance of AAO legal counsel, the process has begun to revise and update the *AAO Principles of Ethics*.

The issue of dues structure for Canadian members is now going to be evaluated by a BOT committee with a recommendation to be brought to the House in 2005. Dues for Canadian members will be based upon benefits and usage of the services of the AAO and not on the fluctuation of the currency between the U.S. and Canada.

The Council continues to review and process ethical matters brought before the Council.

If you have any concerns or ideas about membership issues, please be sure to contact me.

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Council on New and Younger Members

The New and Younger Member Advisory Committee is now officially a council with each member representing his or her constituent. The new chair is **Mark Dusek** of SAO. Other current members include **Andrea Laidlaw**, PCSO; **TJ Robinson**, GLAO; **Tanya Stavisky**, MASO and **Cecile Yoon-Tarlie**, MSO. The remainder of the Council will be appointed by their respective constituents.

The 2004 Annual Session's Brunch and Learn Seminar was a success with three NYMAC members discussing the topics of associateships, purchasing a practice and marketing a practice with excellent customer service. The keynote speaker was Ms. **Carol Eaton** who discussed marketing strategies for the newer orthodontist. The seminar ended with a Q & A open panel forum.

With the new council structure and additional members joining the group, a conference call and face-to-face meeting will be scheduled in the near future. Topics for discussion will include *NYMO*, the online newsletter, the fall GORP meeting, and the 2005 Annual Session in San Francisco.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, ideas or concerns.

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Council on Orthodontic Health Care

The COHC has had no formal meetings or teleconferences since the last report in the *MSO Newsletter*.

A resolution regarding increasing access to quality orthodontic care in those states with underserved or impoverished areas was initiated by the MSO and brought before the AAO House of Delegates and the Board of Trustees during its 2004 meeting.

It was adopted and will be referred to the Council on Orthodontic Health Care and the Council on Governmental Affairs. The results of the proposed study are to be reported to the February 2006 Board of Trustees meeting for review with a final report and recommendations to the 2006 House of Delegates.

The impetus for the resolution, from MSO Delegate Dr. **Jackie Miller**, stems from the realization in some states that non-profit entities are gaining exemption from dental licensure requirements to provide care in rural and impoverished areas. Many states are experiencing a shortage of licensed orthodontists practicing in rural and impoverished areas and these manpower shortages may be due, in part, to changing demographics and/or reduction or elimination of government assistance programs. As a result, state and local governments are seeking alternatives to address this issue. The AAO should be proactive in promoting access to orthodontic care for all populations by properly trained and licensed orthodontists.

Therefore, COHC and COGA will undertake a study to:

- Determine the extent to which access to orthodontic care is a problem.
- Describe the ways this problem is currently being confronted.
- Provide a blueprint for the AAO to address this challenge.

The next business meeting of COHC is August 7-8. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

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Council on Orthodontic Education

COE has had two recent meetings. On March 7, 2004, we met at the American Dental Education Associa-

tion (ADEA) meeting in Seattle, beginning the day with a joint breakfast with members of the Committee on Residency Education and Training of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. The topics discussed were implant placement in orthodontics, autotransplantation of teeth, cosmetic surgery in the correction of dentofacial deformities and accreditation issues. Afterward, the agenda for COE's discussions included the Orlando Educators' Conference, sharing resources via the Internet, the ABO Phase II examination, status of GME program funding, proceedings of the Commission on Dental Accreditation, Match results, length of orthodontic programs, the survey of orthodontic chairs and licensing changes in some states such as California. COE sponsored a luncheon at ADEA for dental school deans and invited Dr. **Mark Valentino**, Assistant Dean for Advancement at the University of Illinois at Chicago, to speak on fundraising for orthodontic education.

The 2004 AAO Orthodontic Educator's Conference, held in Orlando on April 30, was organized by Drs. **Robert Keim**, **Robert Binder** and **Lisa King**. Different aspects of "Financing Orthodontic Departments in the 21st Century" were addressed by the speakers: Dr. **Greg King** on federal research, Dr. **Brent Larson** on AAOF research funding, Dr. **Peter Sinclair** on alumni fundraising and Dr. **Steve Lindauer** on managing a profitable orthodontic clinic. The participants discussed these topics further during the breakout sessions.

The Council on Orthodontic Education will sponsor a breakfast for MSO and GLAO orthodontic department chairs on Friday morning, October 1, from 7:30-10:00 at the Hyatt Regency Chicago as part of the combined MSO/GLAO Annual Session. Information about travel grants available for MSO chairs who attend the breakfast already has been sent out by **Kristi Burmeister** (kburmeister@charter.net). The combined MSO/GLAO meeting also includes an event organized by Dr. **Tom Southard** with presentations by orthodontic residents on Sunday morning, October 3.

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Council on Orthodontic Practice

COOP met in St. Louis in January and by conference call in March. The next Council meeting will be held

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in St. Louis on August 27-28.

COOP sponsored a conference at the Orlando Annual Session in which the "Orthodontist as CEO" and the transition conference were combined into a one-day, pre-meeting session on Friday, April, 30. Excellent speakers including Mr. **Randall Berning** on vision, Dr. **John McDonald** on systems of operation, Dr. **Jerry Clark** on financial planning, Mr. **Larry Domer** on practice valuation, Ms. **Elizabeth Barrett** on human resources/staff, and Dr. **Joe O'Neill** on marketing, gave the audience a focused session designed to help young, mid-term and retiring orthodontists have a better understanding of their CEO responsibilities in relation to transition. There was a "standing room only" crowd to listen to the many facets of our role as CEO. The audio portion of the meeting was taped and binders with relevant speaker information may still be available on a limited basis through AAO.

COOP also sponsored a staff training program called S.T.A.R.T. (Staff Training: Advancing & Renewing Teams). This program was designed to teach senior staff, who are assigned training responsibilities, advanced methods in the development, application and evaluation of training techniques for new staff. Drs. **Chuck Wear** and **DeWayne McCamish** lead the subcommittee that worked with a team of speakers to create this excellent staff and doctor learning session.

The BOT has approved an advanced version of "Orthodontist as CEO" to be held on February 9-12, 2006, at the beautiful Westin Kierland Resort in Scottsdale, Arizona. A subcommittee is beginning the selection of the speakers for this program which will be held three years after the initial COOP-sponsored "Orthodontist as CEO." The subcommittee has reviewed the attendee evaluations from the 2003 program and is prepared to provide an excellent three-day seminar with outstanding speakers at one of AAO's premier stand-alone conferences.

A subcommittee of COOP will be reviewing periodically the various forms that are provided to members, i.e. health history, consent, TMJ history, transfer, etc. The subcommittee has reviewed the child and adult health history forms, and the revised forms are available from AAO on CD, easily loaded onto your computer.

MSO members should take note that on past AAO health history and consent forms for adults there has not been a question asking patients about their smoking habits. Smoking is a known factor in decreasing patients' resistance to periodontal disease. Thus, orthodontists who treat adult smokers without discussing periodontal implications are at higher risk of facing medicolegal problems if bone loss occurs during tooth movement. Tooth movement and orthodontics are blamed for the bone loss rather than the

more significant issue of a smoking habit and the effect that smoking has on the reduced ability of the body's immune system to fight periodontal disease.

COOP has designed a tobacco use brochure to assist orthodontists in educating their patients to the dangers of tobacco use. The brochure is well designed and can be used with both teenagers and adults. It will be available to orthodontists following Committee C's approval.

Currently, many orthodontists send treatment requests to the general dentist and do not receive return correspondence indicating treatment has been completed. The orthodontist may assume it was and proceed with orthodontics and run into more advanced problems because of this lack of communication. COOP has provided a simple method to encourage the general dentist to provide corroboration of the completion of the requested dental procedures. This is available on the AAO Forms CD.

A revised informed consent form is being reviewed by Committee C and the revision, which had input from COOP and AAOIC, will be made available to the membership once approved by the BOT.

Electronic guidelines, HIPPA considerations and restatement of required quality of transfer records are to be added to existing guidelines on transfer of orthodontic cases. This is on the August agenda.

The existing office design manual is outdated. The BOT has approved COOP's request to create a new manual. The COOP subcommittee working on this project has selected an editor, **Jim Braibish**, who will aid the subcommittee in researching various elements and in formatting to create a successful manual that will be available on AAO's Web site with links to orthodontic suppliers. Any MSO members needing updated information on office design may want to request a copy of ADA's office design manual. It is well written and has some excellent information useful for orthodontic practices.

A subcommittee of COOP is developing an information exchange program regarding orthodontic possibilities for patients with disabilities and/or special needs. The January/February edition of the *Bulletin* did an excellent job of outlining the role that orthodontists can play in this area. Several questions were posed to AAO's research family regarding patients with special needs and the findings of this research will guide COOP when making recommendations for future initiatives.

Dr. **Robin Jackson** from COC is the chair of the joint subcommittee of COC and COOP that will be creating a series of educational CDs that orthodontists could use to educate general dentists and hygienists. The theme will be professional teamwork to bring our patients the best that

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dentistry can offer through interdisciplinary planning.

COOP has sent an invitation to all companies who offer staff training programs and who might be interested in becoming a COOP/AAO-sponsored training program. Those companies who meet staff training guidelines adopted by COOP then will be invited to present their program to the COOP Staff Training subcommittee on August 27, 2004. Rather than try to develop a formal staff training program from the "ground up," COOP is considering selecting or working with existing companies that have staff training programs to make them more available to and pertinent to the needs of AAO members. Developing a uniform, formal staff training program is complex since AAO member offices handle staff training differently and state laws have various legal criteria controlling auxiliary utilization and delegation of treatment procedures. Look for further information on this topic in upcoming issues of the *MSO Newsletter*, *Straight Off the Wire* and the *Bulletin*.

If any members have questions or would like COOP to look into other matters of interest, please be sure to contact me.

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Council on Scientific Affairs

COSA met on January 11, 2004, in St. Louis to review twenty-two entries for consideration of research awards and, by consensus, the following research projects were selected for 2004 awards:

2004 Milo Hellman Award

Dr. **Douglas Singleton**, Baylor College of Dentistry – "Craniofacial Growth in Growth Hormone-Deficient Rats Following Growth Hormone Supplementation"

2004 Harry Sicher First Research Essay Award

Dr. **Jiyoung Lee**, University of Connecticut Health Center – "Cell Autonomous Inhibition of Osteoblast Differentiation in Transgenic Mice with Targeted Overexpression of PZOC/EBP-beta, a Truncated C/EBP Isoform"

2004 Thomas M. Graber Award of Special Merit

Dr. **Todd Bennett**, University of Connecticut Health Center – "Characterization of the Dental Phenotype in Transgenic Mice with Col 1A1 Targeted Overexpression of pZOC/EBP.beta"

2004 Thomas M. Graber Award of Special Merit

Dr. **Lucia H. S. Cervidanes**, University of North Carolina – "Mandibular Growth and Response to Orthopedic Therapy in High Resolution 3D Imaging"

2004 Thomas M. Graber Award of Special Merit

Dr. **Steven R. Olsburgh**, University of Southern California – "The Role of Stress Distribution in the Etiology of External Apical Root Resorption in Maxillary Central Incisors with Abnormal Root Shapes: A Three-Dimensional Finite Element Analysis"

2004 Thomas M. Graber Award of Special Merit

Dr. **Monisha Gupta Iyer**, University of Michigan – "The Costs and Benefits of Orthodontic Treatment: Patients' Values in Retrospect Compared to Professional Opinion."

The Council selected 42 of the 98 applications for oral abstracts to be presented at the AAO Annual Session in Orlando. The remaining applications were either rejected or offered the opportunity to present a table clinic or posterboard exhibit. The Council selected 45 of the 73 applications for table clinic presentations. Two hundred and fifty-five applications for posterboard presentations were received from 191 applicants. Where applicants submitted more than one application, they were notified to choose only one to present.

Dr. **Tom Southard** has been appointed as the new chairman of COSA. January 9, 2005, is the next scheduled meeting date in St. Louis.

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American Board of Orthodontics

Congratulations are in order for MSO members Drs. **Kurt Bowers**, Bloomington, Illinois; **Cheryl Anderson-Cermin**, St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin; **Kevin Lucas**, Buffalo Grove, Illinois; **Thomas Moore**, Lee's Summit, Missouri; **Stuart Robb**, Gurnee, Illinois; and **Mart McClellan**, Kenilworth, Illinois. These individuals showed cases in St. Louis this past February to complete their board certification and now are Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics. I congratulate each of you and hope all of you will be able to attend the MSO meeting in Chicago to display your cases.

The ABO certified a total of 51 orthodontists and granted them diplomate status during the February examination in St. Louis. There were 523 case reports from 70 candidates. Of the presented case reports, 481 cases were accepted and 42 cases were deemed incomplete; thus, 92 percent of the case reports were accepted. Of the incomplete cases, 20 were because of occlusion and the remaining were

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due to specification problems, case management or records quality. Overall, the candidate pass rate was 73 percent.

During this examination, 19 candidates were able to use the new ABO Discrepancy Index (DI) as a pathway for the submission of cases rather than the category pathway. Only one candidate failed to meet DI requirements for all cases. The ABO hopes the DI pathway of case selection will encourage more orthodontists to complete the board certification process. There is a comprehensive article explaining the DI and how to use it in the March 2004 issue of the *AJO/DO*.

Advances in technology impacted this year's examination. For the first time all records and materials for the Board Case Records Oral Examination (BCROE) were presented in digital format on laptop computers enabling the candidates and examiners to access all photos, models, radiographs and tracings. Also, for the first time, computer radiographs were accepted in candidate case reports with the candidate being responsible for their accuracy. The Board also continues to monitor the usefulness and progress of digital models.

For the fourth time, the ABO administered the oral portion of the Phase III examination – BCROE for Board-eligible candidates who are three-to-five years into their Board eligibility. Candidates who have less than five years remaining on their ten-year Board eligibility time frame may take the oral exam if they initiate Option II. In all, 78 candidates passed this oral exam and added additional years to their Phase III time frame. Twenty-three of these candidates passed the BCROE and presented their Option II, pre-treatment records at or prior to the Phase III examination in order to become provisionally certified.

MSO members Drs. **Patrick Bauer**, Springfield, Missouri; **Jennifer Eggenmeyer**, Winnetka, Illinois; **Kenneth Hauser**, Chicago, Illinois; **Hugh Murdoch**, Madison, Wisconsin; **Karen Seder**, Chicago, Illinois; and **Clarence Simmons**, Kansas City, Missouri, successfully passed the BCROE. The Midwestern Society did not have anyone become provisionally certified or have any diplomates volunteer for recertification this year.

I'd like to thank MSO diplomate Dr. **Shelly Rosenstein** for helping with the Phase III exam in 2004. This year was the second time Shelly was asked to serve.

The Board also has initiated and is monitoring a pilot study, which is being tested in 17 orthodontic graduate programs, which could lead to some form of early certification. Residents have been asked to submit records for 12 cases which they are treating in their programs and return six treated cases to ABO standards at the completion of their program.

The Phase II written exam was given April 30,

2004, at the AAO meeting in Orlando. There were 309 candidates who took the exam, and 20 additional candidates whose ten-year clock had expired returned to take only the clinical sections to continue their certification process.

Dr. **Grant Coleman**, Charlotte, North Carolina, was the winner of the Earl E. and Wilma S. Shepherd Award of Distinction for attaining the highest score on the 2003 Phase II examination in Hawaii.

Dr. **Anthony Gianelly** was the recipient of the Albert H. Ketcham Memorial Award for 2004 at a reception held at the Renaissance Hotel in Orlando. The reception was larger than usual as it also marked the celebration of the ABO's 75th anniversary and CDABO's 25th anniversary. Dr. **William Profitt** was announced as the recipient of the 2005 Ketcham Award.

Dr. **Barry Biss**, chairman of the orthodontic training program at Tufts University in Boston, was nominated by the Board and confirmed by the AAO House of Delegates in Orlando to become the new Director to the ABO. He succeeds Dr. **Tom Cangialosi**.

I encourage each of you to visit the ABO's Web site at <http://www.americanboardortho.org>. Our research has shown that the Web site is averaging 40,000 hits per month. Names and addresses of board-certified orthodontists in your area can be found by either locale or zip code. Information regarding examinations, recertification and examples of cases also can be found. You even can pay your annual dues online.

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American Association of Orthodontists Political Action Committee

Special thanks to Dr. **Brian McGarvey**, West Des Moines, Iowa, for his service on the AAOPAC Board. Brian helped establish AAOPAC in 1994. Under his direction, the PAC has grown in stature as well as size over the years.

AAOPAC has contributed \$154,500 to candidates for the 2004 election cycle to date. It has focused on several legislative initiatives that are important to the specialty, such as association health plans, health savings accounts and ergonomics.

The Board of Directors met in Washington, D.C. on March 20, 2004. They created an ambitious fundraising campaign entitled, "AAOPAC: Protecting the Future of Your Specialty." Significantly, the PAC Board increased

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recognized contributor levels, set goals for member participation in the PAC and charted plans to actively solicit PAC contributions from AAO members at future AAO, constituent and component meetings.

The Board of Directors changed the contributor anniversary date and recognition cycle. Now all AAOPAC contributors will be deemed a member of the PAC for a full year since their last contribution. All members will be sent a letter at their anniversary date to inform them that their PAC membership has almost expired.

Our membership dues aid development of the AAO legislative positions, but your voluntary contributions are needed to support candidates whose views are consistent with the goals of our specialty.

It is not too late to have your contribution count. Please join AAOPAC today!

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College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics

The College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics will hold its annual summer meeting at Sunriver Resort in Sunriver, Oregon, July 18-20 as the celebration of the Silver Anniversary of the organization. CDABO also sponsored preparation courses at the AAO Annual Session in Orlando this spring. There were 39 participants in the Phase II Preparation Course, 82 participants in the Phase III Preparation Course and 52 in the new Model Measurement Course. While these courses are not prerequisites for taking the Boards, participants have found them to be very helpful in learning what to expect and how to organize the cases. If you are eligible for the Phase III exam and would like the support of a mentor, contact CDABO by e-mail at cdabo@charter.net or by phone at 636/928-3700.

CDABO has completed a PowerPoint presentation, prepared by Drs. **Larry Valant** and **John Tadlock**, to be shown to students to promote ABO certification. The presentation will help ensure that all the students receive the same information and, hopefully, encourage more orthodontists to become ABO Board Certified.

Next summer's meeting will be July 17-21 at the Hyatt Regency Tamaya in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The 2006 Annual Meeting will be July 15-19 at Stein Eriksen Lodge in Park City, Utah, with MSO member Dr. **Robert Nemeth**

presiding. Mark your calendars now and be sure not to miss these wonderful meetings.

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American Association of Orthodontists Foundation

As of June 1, 2004, the Foundation's campaign has realized \$24.6 million in pledges with \$15.9 million of that being redeemed. Again, we are on pace to receive \$2 million in new pledges for the sixth consecutive year. The Foundation's portfolio value is at \$14.3 million.

For 2004 the Foundation has been able to award almost \$300,000 to support orthodontic education. Each second-year resident will receive a gift of \$225 for a total amount of \$76,275. One Center Award had already been committed for \$25,000. Also, thirteen faculty development awards were given for a total of \$194,000.

The MSO has reached its participation goal set by the Foundation of one-third of the membership of each constituency pledging to the Foundation. Additionally, most of the states in the MSO have realized their participation goal except for Illinois and Wisconsin. Wisconsin needs one new pledge to reach their goal, and Illinois needs eight pledges.

For those who have made an initial pledge and have paid it off, please consider moving up to the next pledge level or even think about pledging at the Regent level of \$25,000. The Foundation has a goal of reaching 400 Regents by the end of 2004 and 500 Regents by the end of 2005. An even higher pledge level is the Fellow, which is a pledge of \$50,000. Dr. **John Pershing** is chairing a Foundation committee to recruit fifty Fellows by 2005.

Another way to contribute to the Foundation is through the Keystone Society. A member of the Keystone Society is someone who has included the Foundation in his/her estate planning. The Keystone Society's goal is to have 150 members by the end of the 2005 Annual Session. Dr. **Gene Blair** is the chair of the committee overseeing the Keystone Society, and Dr. **Jim Gjerset** has been named the chair designee for the Keystone Society effective May 2005 when Dr. Blair will have completed his term of service in this role.

The Foundation will hold a Black Tie Celebratory Event at the AAO Annual Session in San Francisco at the Westin St. Francis Hotel on Saturday, May 21, 2005.

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Our April meeting featured Drs. **Alvaro Figueroa** and **Harry Legan** presenting a program on distraction osteogenesis. At the business meeting we welcomed Dr. **Cecile Yoon-Tarlie** as Secretary-Treasurer and Dr. **Robert Girgis** as incoming Trustee. Cecile has served on the New and Younger Member Advisory Committee, rising to chairperson this past year. Rob serves on the MSO Committee on Membership, Ethics and Judicial Concerns. We thank them both for their leadership and look forward to their tenure in Illinois. Dr. **Dave Forbes** received well-deserved applause for his efforts this past season.

Illinois orthodontists holding leadership positions within Illinois were given special recognition during our business meeting: Drs. **Michael Casey**, president of the Will County District Dental Society; **Brian Degise**, president of the Peoria District Dental Society; **Karl Muster**, secretary/treasurer of the Danville District Dental Society; **John Rose**, president of the Kankakee District Dental Society; **Myron Sternstein**, secretary of the G.V. Black District Dental Society; and **Kenneth Yonan**, president of the Chicago Dental Society.

Dr. **Jim Kohl** previewed our 2004-2005 program:

- October 1- 3, 2004 – MSO Annual Session in Chicago!
- November 15, 2004 – Dr. **Alan Bagden** on friction-free appliances
- December 13, 2004 – Dr. **John Sheridan** on clinical techniques
- April 11, 2005 – Dr. **Roger Levin** on practice management (staff invited)

Watch for a letter requesting membership updates for our directory to be printed in August.

Best wishes to all for a great summer!

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Iowa

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I would like to introduce myself as the new contrib-

uting editor from Iowa. My name is **Teresa Salino-Hugg**, and for the last 17 years I have practiced orthodontics with my father-in-law, Dr. **James R. Hugg**, in Burlington, Iowa. Jim is well known to many of you as a past president of the MSO and a past recipient of the Earl Shepard Award. I am looking forward to getting to know many of you better over the next few years and to doing my part for MSO.

Congratulations to our colleagues, Drs. **Dick Perkins, Carney Loucks, Paul Hermanson, James Hugg**, and others for their efforts in successfully eliminating certain orthodontic procedures from the expanded function duty list for Iowa dental assistants. Thankfully, our orthodontic assistants may continue to remove, insert, and bend archwires, as well as prep teeth for bonding brackets, without having to attain additional certification as “expanded function” assistants. Legislation to eliminate altogether the dental assistant certification process was passed by the Iowa House and Senate. Unfortunately, the bill was vetoed by Governor **Tom Vilsack** in May of 2004. Therefore, the certification process remains unchanged for new dental assistants.

The Iowa Summer Orthodontic Seminar will be held August 1-3 at Lake Okoboji. Dr. **Tom Southard** will give a presentation on “Practical Biomechanics.” The second-year orthodontic residents will each give a brief presentation on various orthodontic topics. Contact the University of Iowa for details.

Don’t forget to mark your calendars for the fall ISO meeting, October 18-19 in Iowa City. Dr. **Anoop Sondhi** will give a presentation entitled, “Bracket Positioning and Efficient Application of Biomechanics.”

Dr. **Judy Demro** (drjdemro@qwest.net) would like to remind all Iowa orthodontists to send their e-mail addresses to her, so that she may update the listings.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge Dr. **Lee Willham** for the great job he has done for the past eight years as Iowa editor. Thank you, Lee! In the future please send me your updates and announcements if you wish to have them printed in the next *MSO Newsletter*.

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Manitoba

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The Manitoba Society of Orthodontists held its semi-annual meeting on April 22, 2004. It was agreed that we would proceed with our Yellow Pages advertisement as

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a group. We still are working on a potential collective radio advertising campaign to air this fall.

We also requested that the Manitoba Dental Association insist on a retraction of a statement made by a local dentist that appeared in a magazine ad that stated he was an orthodontist. The retraction was made in our local dental newsletter.

Dr. **Terry Carlyle** presented a course on the Damon Bracket System to the graduate students in April, and Dr. **Lionel Sadowsky** presented a CE course in June. Dr. **Bill Proffitt** and Dr. **Bob Schwartz** will be presenting courses to the graduate students and any interested orthodontists on June 22 and 23, respectively.

The Manitoba Society has agreed to support the Canadian Association of Orthodontists in negotiating for a new arrangement in the treatment of our indigenous people. Negotiations have been in progress for many years but appear to be coming to a head. We also are approaching the Manitoba Dental Association to change the licensure requirements for orthodontists entering into practice in our province. The request is to make the Royal College Specialty Exam a requirement for practice in Manitoba.

If you would like any additional information on any of these topics, please contact me.

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Our winter meeting, held in January, was ideal for our members and their staffs. Our 2004 program chair, Dr. **Al Montgomery**, organized an excellent program with Dr. **Michael Swartz** who spoke on archwire selection and tips for successful bonding of orthodontic brackets.

At our business meeting MAO president Dr. **Tom Inglis** passed the gavel to incoming president Dr. **Brent Larson**. We are in very capable hands with Brent who also is our director to the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists. Brent has decided to return to academics and will become chair of the University of Minnesota Division of Orthodontics in September 2004. We plan to give Brent the full support of the MAO and look forward to a very synergistic relationship. We also wish to thank the interim chair, Dr. **Bill Liljemark**, who has been much more than just interim in his actions to improve the division. He has made so many significant positive changes in the facilities and staffing

during his short time as interim director.

In lieu of our usual summer/fall meeting, we will meet in conjunction with the University of Minnesota for a course presented by Dr. **Lionel Sadowsky** on October 22, 2004. His interactive course on treatment planning should be of interest to everyone. If you need registration information, please contact Continuing Dental Education at the dental school at 612/625-1418 or 800/685-1418.

Our annual winter meeting for 2005 will be held Friday, January 7, at the Minneapolis Marriott City Center Hotel with Dr. **James Mah** as the speaker. His topic will be related to the 3D visualization in orthodontics project he's been so successful at presenting.

MAO and MSO past president Dr. **Arnie Hill** was the Guest of Honor at the Minnesota Dental Association's Star of the North meeting in April. Arnie was recognized for his outstanding contributions to dentistry and deserves our congratulations as well.

The MAO has been very active with the state board in increasing expanded duties for dental assistants. We especially thank Drs. **Leo Sinna** and **Deb Lein** for all of their time and effort in this process.

As we have been doing this for several years, we are in the process of awarding scholarships to individuals in dental assisting training who have shown an interest in orthodontics. Another on-going project is to supply all of the high school career counselors with information on careers in assisting in orthodontics. We also are initiating a project to provide the assisting schools with supplies for their students to help in their training of expanded duties in orthodontics.

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Missouri

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Dr. **David Sarver** spoke on "Esthetic Diagnosis" on April 16-17, 2004, in St. Louis. Thanks to Drs. **David Lebsack** and **Ginny Mennemeyer** for planning such a great continuing education opportunity. Thanks also to all those who attended. Our next continuing education course is planned for January 2005 in Kansas City in conjunction with the Kansas Association of Orthodontists.

We have planned our annual business meeting for Saturday, October 2, 2004, during the lunch break of the

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MSO/GLAO Annual Session in Chicago. Check the onsite program for the exact location and time.

Members who are interested in becoming part of a practice coverage agreement should contact Dr. **Mark Dake**. Agreements already exist that cover urban areas, but none exist that cover the rural areas of the state.

Again, a reminder that you should have staff members certified by taking the expanded functions exam to comply with state laws for those duties which they perform.

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Nebraska

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The Nebraska Society of Orthodontists is planning to hold its annual meeting on April 1, 2005, in Omaha. The featured speaker will be Dr. **Vince Kokich**. Further information will be forthcoming. For details contact Dr. **Joyce Simmons** at 402/376-2551.

The Omaha Orthodontic Study Club is planning its annual CE meeting in December 2004 or January 2005. Please contact Dr. **Lisa Strunk** at 402/330-5914 for further information.

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North Dakota

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We are planning to hold a meeting on December 3, 2004, in Fargo. Members will receive further information in the future.

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South Dakota

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The South Dakota Society of Orthodontists

(SDSO) held its annual meeting in conjunction with the South Dakota Dental Association (SDDA) meeting this past May in Rapid City. Dr. **Robert Arnold** of Watertown was recognized, with gratitude from the SDSO members, for having served this past year as president of the SDDA.

The business meeting of the SDSO included discussions about future in-state continuing education opportunities for SDSO members, proposals regarding access to care for underserved populations of the state, e-mail member list updates and possible revisions to the Constitution and Bylaws.

The next meeting of the SDSO is tentatively planned to coincide with the fall MSO/GLAO meeting in Chicago. Any questions or news items regarding the SDSO may be directed to me.

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Editors note: In the Winter 2004 issue of the MSO Newsletter, Dr. Crist was inadvertently listed as a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics. He is not as of yet but is working on that certifying process.

Wisconsin

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The WSO met for its biannual meeting at the Marriott Madison West Hotel in Middleton on March 15, 2004. Over 350 orthodontists and their staffs were entertained and educated by Ms. **Rosemary Bray** on "Teamwork" and "Customer Service." President-elect **Michael O'Leary** did a fabulous job keeping us well fed, and the special Comedy Sportz improv show Monday evening was a smash hit.

Aside from the officers elected, who are listed above, Drs. **George Wedell**, **Dick Fischer**, **Jay Frazier** and **Jane Bentz** were elected as trustees. We are grateful to Dr. **Scott Arbit** for his hard work and leadership during his presidency. Thank you from all the members.

Our fall meeting will be in conjunction with the MSO and GLAO. We hope to see you in Chicago.

The Spring Meeting has been set for the American Club in Sheboygan on April 11-12, 2005, with Dr. **Jose Much** speaking on "Multidisciplinary Treatment and Esthetics." Dr. **Marissa Kessler** has arranged for a full plate of extra-curricular activities.

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tailored specifically to the needs of AAO members and is among the few payment-service providers with specialized experience in health care and in serving the needs of orthodontists. Under a three-year agreement, AAO members will be eligible for a processing program in which pricing is based on the processing volume of the entire association. By capitalizing on the economies of scale created by developing an association program, members are able to take advantage of pricing and service-level commitments that otherwise would not be available to them based on their own smaller processing totals. To learn more about this, contact the company's representative, **Rene Buzicky**, at 800/538-1601, ext. 160 or rbuzicky@transfirst.net.

It is the political season again, and all members are strongly encouraged to contribute to the AAOPAC. The PAC allows the AAO to help those members of Congress who help us by supporting issues of importance to the orthodontic health-care community. It gives us a voice when we need to be "heard" by our legislators in Washington. If you have questions, contact our MSO AAOPAC representative, Dr. **Mike Hipp**, at mhipp4728@aol.com. Also, remember to be active in the political process in your home state. Developing contacts with our legislators forms the backbone of our AAO Key Contact program.

The AAO home page, www.aaomembers.org, also has a link to the activities of our AAOPAC. Look at the subject headings on the left side of the home page for "Government Relations." This takes you to the AAO Legislative Action Page and to easy communication with your own legislators and the Cap Wiz segments of the AAO Web site. When your dues statement arrives, I would encourage you to make a significant contribution to the PAC. Please remember that your PAC contribution requires a separate payment from your dues (a personal check), even though the AAO dues statement has lines for both your PAC contribution and the annual dues amount. So send an extra check when paying your dues, or a separate contribution can be made to the AAOPAC by sending a check directly to the AAO to the attention of **Kevin Dillard**.

Elsewhere in this issue of the *MSO Newsletter* you will see information on our fall meeting in Chicago, and the *Bulletin* will keep you posted on the upcoming Early Treatment Conference to be held in Las Vegas in January. San Francisco will be the site of the 2005 AAO Annual Session and then we will join the World Federation of Orthodontists (WFO) in September of 2005 for our joint MSO-WFO meeting in Paris. You should have received by mail the first announcement of this special joint meeting including a meeting brochure, but further information may

be obtained at www.wfoparis2005.org.

This column can hit only a few high points, and thus I would refer you to the *Bulletin* articles that continually update you on issues germane to you and your practice. Please also review the AAO Council reports included in this *MSO Newsletter*. They are written by your fellow MSO members – our representatives to the AAO national working groups within our organization. If you have specific questions or suggestions, please contact your MSO council representatives. Also feel free to contact me with questions, concerns, and/or suggestions so I may better represent you on the AAO Board of Trustees.

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Dr. **William DeKock**, MSO's nominee, will receive the 2005 AAO James E. Brophy Distinguished Service Award in San Francisco next May. Also, Dr. **James Gjerset** was recognized for serving his last duty on the BOT as the outgoing immediate past president. We thank him for his numerous years of service to his component, his constituent and the AAO.

Some of the other items discussed included maintaining the current dues structure; evidence-based practice, which was one of the most highly-debated issues on the floor and was referred to the appropriate councils for further study; and the discontinuation of the AAO Direct Reimbursement program. There were other issues as well.

As the House session ended, it was evident that the efforts of all of the delegates, especially the MSO delegation, were quite effective in moving the AAO forward in this 21st century. Leadership of the delegation by both Dr. Larson and Dr. Marshall played a major role in the governance process of the AAO.

Receiving input from the academic world also is critical to the AAO's future. Our delegation chair, Dr. Larson, will be leaving private practice to assume the chair of the Division of Orthodontics at the University of Minnesota this fall. We look forward to his academic perspective.

If you are interested in learning more about this process or in serving on a MSO or AAO committee, council or task force, be sure to contact any of the delegates, the MSO officers or your component director. As we look forward to next year, new insight from all of our members is essential, as each person brings something new and different to the table. We need to continually hear from our membership on issues and concerns that affect all aspects of orthodontics.

Marquette University

Congratulations to our graduating second-year residents, Drs. **Shaun Varghese**, **Brandon Linn**, **Lynne Shear**, **Meagan O'Donnell-Struby**, **Suzy Schuster** and **Jeffrey Wing**. Dr. Varghese is going into practice in Chicago, Dr. Linn in Denver, and Dr. Shear is setting up practice in Illinois. Dr. O'Donnell-Struby is preparing for the Nevada boards. Dr. Schuster is joining her father and her brother in-law in Oshkosh; and Dr. Wing is joining a practice in Arizona. At the graduation dinner on May 21, 2004, at the Pfister Hotel, Dr. **Gil Schmidtke** was given an award for his outstanding service and contributions to our profession as an instructor at Marquette. After twelve years of fantastic clinical instruction, Dr. Schmidtke has decided to retire from our part-time ranks and spend more time with his family. We thank him for his enormous contribution and the impact that he has made on all of his students.

Congratulations to Drs. Schuster and Varghese who had two papers accepted for publication as part of their requirements to receive their master's degrees. In June 2004, Dr. **Gerry Bradley** was promoted to associate professor with tenure. He also contributed a chapter in *Risk Management in Orthodontics*, a book by Dr. **Tom Graber**.

We had some great guest speakers in the past six months including Dr. **Jackie Berkovitz** from Columbus, Ohio, Dr. **Ron Roth** and Dr. **Peter Swartz**. The residents attended the national meeting in Orlando and presented six research papers.

On June 2, 2004, we welcomed our new first-year residents, Drs. **Arash Bahktari**, **Barbara Siargos**, **Matthew Biermann**, **Smita Cabrera** and **Rodney Northrup**. We are excited and thrilled to have this group of enthusiastic new residents, and we look forward to seeing them grow in their orthodontic knowledge over the next two years.

The residents are looking forward to the upcoming GORP meeting in Michigan. This promises to be an exciting event with a host of excellent speakers. We wish the organizers well and look forward to getting a report from our residents upon their return.

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Mayo Clinic

June marks the end of Dr. **Anne Angle**'s orthodontic training at Mayo Clinic. She will receive her Master's in Biomedical Sciences degree from the Mayo Graduate Medical School. Her thesis entitled, "Transverse

displacement of the proximal segment after two-jaw surgery including bilateral sagittal osteotomy and its effect on sagittal relapse," was successfully defended. We are proud



(l to r) *Fred Regennitter, Rose Sheats and Anne Angle at the AAO.*

of her accomplishments over the last three years in addition to the presentation she made at the annual AAO meeting. We wish her well as she returns to Philadelphia to practice.

The alumni and graduate orthodontic residents of the Mayo Clinic had their annual gathering in conjunction with the recent AAO meeting with 30 attendees. It was great to see everyone. Special thanks go to Dr. **Arnie Hill** and **Deb Oscarson** for helping with the arrangements. I

received a lot of positive comments on the reception and its location with the other university programs.

Through the tireless efforts of Dr. **Joe Rebellato**, the Clinic has embarked on an electronic orthodontic record. It is integrated with the rest of the Mayo Clinic and promises to be a great innovation. Eight wireless laptops were installed and we are making the transition.

The Mayo Clinic's newest resident, accepted through the 2003 Match program, is Dr. **Chris Holahan**. Although he is a University of Iowa graduate, I know he will adapt to living "up north." We look forward to having Chris as a resident.

Finally, I would like to thank the AAOF for their continuing support of students and faculty. I hope everyone has a great summer and we are looking forward to the MSO meeting in Chicago.

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Saint Louis University

The orthodontic program at The Center for Advanced Dental Education of Saint Louis University will welcome 14 new graduate students in June. They include Drs. **Damen Caraway** (University of Texas at San Antonio), **Michael Chung** (Columbia University), **Wes Fleming** (University of Kentucky), **Jennifer Horton** (University of Southern California), **Graham Jones** (University of California-San Francisco), **Steven Lemery** (University of Washington), **Zachary Mellion** (Case Western Reserve University), **Micah Mortensen** (University of Washington), **Melanie Nguyen** (UCLA), **Julie Rambo** (University of

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Kentucky), **Brian Schlueter** (Southern Illinois University), **Bradley Simister** (Creighton University), **Binh Tran** (University of Southern California) and **Brian Ward** (University of Oklahoma).

The inaugural Charles Henry Tweed Memorial Lecture will be held at CADE August 19-21 with a presentation by Dr. **Herb Klontz**. This will be followed by golf, a Cardinals baseball game, a casino night and lectures by Drs. **Jason Cope** and **Jerry Clark**. All MSO students will be invited to attend.

The Center also will sponsor a meeting of the National Foundation for Ectodermal Dysplasias on October 9 and the Give Kids a Smile program on October 16. On December 10 Dr. **Lysle E. Johnston, Jr.** will deliver the inaugural Edward Hartley Angle Memorial Lecture.

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University of Illinois – Chicago

We are busy planning the Quadrennial Illinois Orthodontic Alumni meeting to be held September 9-11, 2004, at the ADA Building, featuring speakers from the four Chicago-area orthodontic programs. For information and registration, contact Dr. **Terry Sellke**, Executive Director of the Illinois Orthodontic Alumni Association at tasellke@uic.edu.

Dr. **Adriana Da Silveira** received the 2004 AAOF Robert E. Binder Teaching Fellowship award. Dr. **Peter Tsay**, former head of orthodontics at Northwestern, joined the UIC part-time faculty. Dr. **Hideo Mitani** has returned to the Department as Visiting Professor this summer. After serving as Interim Chair of the University of Illinois Orthodontic Department in 1973-4, Dr. Mitani returned to Japan where he had an illustrious career at Tohoku University in Sendai as Professor and Chairman of Orthodontics, Director of the Dental Hospital, Dean of the School of Dentistry and Vice President of Tohoku University. His CV lists 162 research publications and participation in 32 books.

UIC faculty and residents participated actively at the AAO meeting in Orlando. Speakers included Drs. **Cecile Yoon-Tarlie** (who also served as a delegate), **T. M. Graber**, **Terry Sellke**, **Carla Evans**, **Bill Hohlt**, **Hideo Mitani** and **David Musich**. Dr. **Sean R. Holliday**, third-year resident, placed third in the basic science competition in the AAO Clinician Scholars Program. Dr. **Katherine Graber-Everts** was chosen to be a resident member of the Council on New and Younger Members chaired by Dr. Yoon-Tarlie. Dr. **Meenakshi Balakrishnan** took second place in the Hu-Friedy wirebending competition, and Dr.

Budi Kusnoto won the BMW at the Rocky Mountain exhibit.

Dr. **Carla Evans** was elected by the American Association for Dental Research Council to be Member-at-Large and serve on the AADR Board. Dr. **T. M. Graber** announced that "Risk Management in Orthodontics" and the DVD proceedings of the *First World Symposium on Orthodontics* are available from Quintessence Books.

The Department's research laboratories, including the Skeletal Tissue Engineering Laboratory led by Dr. **Jeremy Mao**, the Brodie Laboratory for Craniofacial Genetics led by Dr. **Tom Diekwisch** and the Imaging Laboratory led by Dr. **Budi Kusnoto** have gained additional funding. Three UIC-educated young orthodontists are finishing their Ph.D. degree programs this summer, namely Drs. **Adel Alhadlaq** and **Nabeel Talic** in anatomy and cell biology and Dr. **Hasan Othman** in bioengineering.

In June 2006 the International Symposium on Dentofacial Development and Function will be held in Chicago. This important biennial event has been held in Brussels, Chicago, Aarhus (Denmark), Bergamo (Italy), Rome, Athens, Jerusalem, Mainz (Germany), Istanbul and Bahia (Brazil). Information can be obtained from Dr. Evans.

The Electronic Study Club for Orthodontists (ESCO) continues to attract contributors from all over the world. For information about subscribing to ESCO, look at the Web site <http://www.uic.edu/depts/dort/esco.html>.

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University of Iowa

Congratulations to Drs. **Austin, Juhlin, Kanning, Lee** and **Owen** for completing their orthodontic education and receiving their master's degrees this June! Also, congratulations to Drs. **Bradford Edgren** and **Kurt Bowers** who were certified as Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics.

We are now online with a digital radiographic system. This project was undertaken with funds that were generously provided by our alumni and friends. We were very fortunate to have received a grant from the AAOF to develop a Web site and digitize the longitudinal lateral cephalometric radiographs from the Iowa Facial Growth Study. The Web site development is well underway.

The Iowa Summer Orthodontic Meeting will be held in Okoboji, Iowa, August 1-4, 2004.

The 26th Iowa Winter Orthodontic Seminar will be
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held in February 2005 at the Lion Square Lodge in Vail, Colorado. This seminar, spearheaded by Dr. **John Casko**, hosts clinicians from across the nation and internationally and offers orthodontists and surgeons the opportunity to interact closely in diagnosing and treatment planning a spectrum of orthognathic surgery cases. Further information on the course may be obtained by contacting **Linda Keller** at linda-keller@uiowa.edu.

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University of Manitoba

The five Canadian program directors meet bi-annually to discuss common curriculum issues, sharing resources and matters of mutual interest. We recently met at Whistler, British Columbia, during the 3M conference. One of the main topics discussed was the continued problems surrounding the recruitment and retention of orthodontic staff. Although several applications appear from non-North American-trained programs, licensing restrictions often make it difficult to recruit individuals with excellent credentials. Presently, there remain several open positions in orthodontics throughout Canada.

We say good-bye to our three residents completing their third year. Dr. **Dan Stuart** is returning to Halifax, Nova Scotia. Dr. **Iain Meldrum** is going to Ontario and Dr. **Brent Douglas** to Vancouver, British Columbia. At their farewell reception held recently at Dr. **Alan Baker**'s home, they made the wonderful gesture of promising the proceeds of one case annually to be donated back to the program. This is, they say, in recognition of the excellent training they received at Manitoba and the dedicated and committed staff. Thanks so very much Dan, Brent and Iain for this wonderful gift for the future. All three graduating residents also presented cases at the CDABO displays in Orlando at the AAO. They also defended their research projects successfully.

Dr. **Billy Wiltshire** recently returned from South Africa where he was an invited Visiting Professor at the Medical University of Southern Africa. Dr. **Bob Baker** was the recipient of a residents' teaching award. Congratulations, Bob! Dr. Wiltshire was the recipient of an Alexander Research and Teaching Foundation development award.

Our first-year residents are preparing for their Diagnosis and Treatment Planning exam, and the External Examiner this year for our second-year residents is Dr. **Lionel Sadowsky** from Birmingham, Alabama. Dr. Sadowsky also will be presenting a two-hour CE course. Another visitor to the program in June will be Dr. **Bill**

Proffit, who also will be providing a CE course.

On a sad note we say good-bye to Drs. **Chris LaValle** and **Peter Williams**, stalwarts in the program, who are retiring. They have given so much to the program over many years and will be missed. We hope to retain some of their expertise on a part-time basis.

A big thanks to our part-time orthodontists in the graduate orthodontic program for their continued loyalty and support: Drs. **Alan Baker**, **Frank Hechtor**, **Herman Lee**, **Tim Dumore**, **Bruce McFarlane** and surgeon **Lee McFadden**. Also, thanks to those committed part-timers in our undergraduate program: Drs. **Frank Hechtor**, **Herman Lee**, **Tim Dumore**, **Rana Shenkarow** and **Brent Nicolaychuck**. Your support, services and loyalty are really recognized and appreciated.

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University of Minnesota

It is with great pleasure that we announce that Dr. **Brent Larson** will become our program director for the Division of Orthodontics at the University of Minnesota beginning September 1, 2004. As many of our constituents already know, Dr. Larson will add tremendous breadth and depth to our program.

Brent finished his residency program and Master of Science degree in 1987 in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. He is ABO certified, has been a consultant and assistant professor in the Department of Dental Specialties at Mayo Medical School in Rochester and was Program Director in Orthodontics at Mayo from 1993-1997. During this period of time, he won numerous teaching awards including the Mayo Clinic Teacher's Hall of Fame. Since 1997, Brent has been in full-time private practice and has been very active at the local, state and national levels in the AAO. He currently is president of the Minnesota Association of Orthodontists. We all are very excited to have Brent on board.

We also are pleased to announce that Dr. **James Miller** was hired into our Division of Orthodontics as an assistant professor on tenure track. Jim has received numerous honors during his tenure as a dental student and orthodontic resident at the University of Minnesota, including the ADA/Dentsply Award for the most outstanding clinically oriented research project. During this time, Dr. Miller also participated in several areas of research including microbiology, genetics and, most recently, the role of ibuprofen on orthodontic tooth movement. These efforts have resulted in

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six publications, a remarkable achievement. We are excited to have Dr. Miller join our faculty.

All of our residents attended the recent AAO Annual Session in Orlando with the financial assistance of the Orthodontic Residents Endowment. Our second-year residents participated in the CDABO case presentations which was a good experience for them.

Our second-year residents were busy this spring completing their research and writing their master's theses in preparation for the June 10 graduation.

Drs. **Heather Carr**, **Tiffany Waki** and **Andrew Helmich** all will be joining practices in the Twin Cities area. Dr. **Julian Davila** will be joining a practice in Tampa, Florida. Dr. **Emily O'Keiff** will be practicing in Watertown, Connecticut. Dr. **Scott Harper** will be opening his own practice in Lompoc, California.

The new class for 2004 begins on June 28. Two residents are 2004 graduates from the University of Minnesota. Drs. **Jessica Inglis** and **Brandon Owen**. Dr. **Alison Fallgatter** graduated from Minnesota in 2001 and has been practicing in Bismarck, North Dakota. Dr. **Anthony Bonavoglia** is a 2004 graduate of SUNY/Buffalo. Dr. **Stephen Hunsaker** graduated from the University of Maryland in 2003 and comes to us from his practice in Arizona. Dr. **Ching-Chang Ko** obtained his dental degree and his Master's in Bioengineering from Kaohsiung Medical University in Taiwan and his Ph.D. in Bioengineering and Biomaterials from the University of Michigan.

We extend a warm welcome to all of the members of our new class.

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University of Nebraska

Drs. **Colin Gibson**, **Rebecca Hohl** and **Tien Nguyen** graduated on June 30. Dr. Gibson's thesis is entitled, "Interleukin-1 Gene Cluster Polymorphisms and Orthodontic Tooth Movement." He plans to join a practice in Colorado. Dr. Hohl plans to begin her private practice in Lincoln. Her thesis is entitled, "Flaw Propagation in the Porcine Temporomandibular Joint Disc." Dr. Hohl's research earned her the honors of First Place Poster Presentation Over-All, Excellent Abstract and Presentation by a COD Graduate Student, and Second Place Poster Presentation from all Schools at the Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum in February of this year. The title of Dr. Nguyen's thesis is "The Effects of Static and Impulse on Ploughing Forces in the Porcine TMJ." She will be looking

at potential practice opportunities in the fall. All three of these graduating students presented research posters and case displays at the American Association of Orthodontists Annual Session in Orlando in May.

Dr. **Peter Spalding** recently completed a chapter entitled, "Craniofacial Growth and Development: Current Understanding and Clinical Considerations" in Peterson's *Principles of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery*, 2nd Edition, published by BC Decker. In addition to continuing service on the Executive Council of the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association, Dr. Spalding began his term as the Vice-President-Elect. He also is Chair-Elect of the Orthodontic Section of the American Dental Education Association. He completed his fellowship with the ADEA Leadership Institute and is co-authoring a paper based on the collaborative efforts involved in that experience.

Drs. **Laura Iwasaki** and **Jeff Nickel** were chosen as the 2003-2004 D. H. Reinhardt Scholars which helped them spend April on their collaborative research in Osaka, Japan. Since our last report, presentations regarding their research were made at the University of Missouri and the University of California in San Francisco.

Within the past six months, Drs. Iwasaki and Nickel have authored a number of articles published in the *American Journal of Orthodontic and Dentofacial Orthopedics*, *Journal of Orofacial Pain*, *Seminars in Orthodontics* and *Archives of Oral Biology*. In addition, they each have submitted chapters for *Biological Mechanisms of Tooth Movement and Craniofacial Adaptation*, of which Drs. **Ze'ev Davidovitch** and **James Mah** are the editors. Their research regarding orthodontic mechanics and cell chemistry, as well as research describing TMJ loads and muscle forces, continues to receive international recognition.

In conjunction with the March 2004 NSO meeting, Drs. **Jeff Nickel**, **Peter Spalding** and **G. Bradley Schaefer** presented a continuing education course entitled, "Craniofacial Disorders: Etiology, Pathogenesis and Orthodontic Management."

Our new residents, Drs. **Jeff Chandler**, **LaMont Gillham** and **Ben Thornton**, who are all graduates of UNMC, will join our program on July 1. These students will be the first to participate in our new 30-month program approved this year by the ADA Commission on Dental Accreditation.

Preparations are underway for the 50th anniversary celebration of the University's Orthodontic Program on October 15. The event will take place in conjunction with an alumni weekend and include an orthodontic continuing education opportunity. Please watch for more details.

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MSO Annual Session

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Don't miss the 2004 MSO/GLAO Annual Session to be held October 1-3. Registration materials will be mailed early summer to MSO and GLAO members or can be requested from the GLAO office via e-mail: glao@assnoffices.com or phone: 614-221-5720.



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MSO Annual Business Meeting Saturday, October 2

All MSO members are invited to attend the MSO Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, October 2, from 7:45-8:45 am. There is no charge or special ticket needed for this event which follows an informal, complimentary continental breakfast starting at 7:00 am in the Columbus Ballroom foyer. The business meeting information will be posted on the MSO Web site at <http://www.msortho.org> mid-August or can be requested from the MSO office by e-mailing orthosociety@charter.net or calling 636/928-3700.

Information to be posted will include a business meeting agenda, Membership Committee report with proposed new active members, year-to-date financial information, proposed 2005 budget, Nomination and Research Committee report and last year's meeting minutes.

The MSO Nomination and Research Committee will be presenting the following slate of nominees for the 2004-2005 MSO officers:

President: **Michael J. Inda**, Wisconsin
President-Elect: **James G. Klarsch**, Missouri
Vice-President: **Stephen F. Litton**, Minnesota
Secretary-Treasurer: **Michael S. Hipp**, Iowa

Women Orthodontists Function

Reserve Saturday evening on your schedule to network informally with other women orthodontists in attendance. No advance reservation or payment is needed. Just go to the "Big Bar" in the registration desk area of the Hyatt Regency Chicago on Saturday, October 2, from 4:30-6:00 and look for the reserved area for women orthodontist attendees. Those interested can go to dinner after this event. For more information contact Dr. **Jackie Miller** at smyldr@yahoo.com or office phone at 636/239-4004.

President's Dinner Dance

Be sure to purchase tickets in advance on the registration form for this gala event which will be held in the Hyatt Regency Chicago's new Crystal Ballroom overlooking the illuminated downtown skyline and Navy Pier. The evening will feature an elegant reception, cash bar, dinner, dancing, brief keynote presentation by **Barry Sears**, MD, PhD, recognized leader on diet and wellness, and recognition of association award winners.

Dr. **Bailey N. Jacobson**, Chicago, Illinois, will be awarded MSO's highest honor award, the Earl E. Shepard Distinguished Service Award, for his exemplary contributions to the art and science of orthodontics.



Bailey N. Jacobson

Bailey received both his dental and orthodontic education at Northwestern. Since then he has been involved in practicing orthodontics, teaching, writing and lecturing on a variety of subjects. In addition, he has volunteered for numerous dental and orthodontic organizations.

Please be sure to attend to help honor Bailey.

LOOKING FOR AN ASSOCIATE?

The American Association of Orthodontists currently has two programs to help those seeking practice opportunities in orthodontics.

The **Practice Opportunity Service** is a program designed to match members offering practice opportunities with those seeking opportunities. These matches can be in the form of an associateship, a partnership or the buying and selling of a practice.

The **Associate Opportunity Service** is a program to match practicing orthodontists needing temporary or part-time help with those individuals looking to practice on a temporary basis.

All information is maintained in a confidential manner. This service can be helpful for younger members who are seeking opportunities to practice in a traditional office setting or members who are considering bringing in an associate or partner or are planning their retirement. Orthodontic education programs also should contact this service as it could be a worthwhile benefit to orthodontic residents.

To request an application or for additional information, please call **Katie Repking** at the AAO office in St. Louis at 800/424-2841, extension 287, or e-mail her at krepking@aaortho.org.

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