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MSO's Hill and Perry lauded in Hawaii

Dr. **Arnold J. Hill**, Rochester, Minnesota, and Dr. **Harold T. Perry**, Florence, Oregon (formerly of Chicago, Illinois), were recognized for their contributions to orthodontics at the Excellence Luncheon during the 103rd Annual Session of the AAO in Honolulu, Hawaii.

The James E. Brophy Distinguished Service Award was presented to Dr. Hill for his outstanding service to



Arnie Hill and his wife, Shirley, with the Brophy Award.

orthodontics in addition to other valuable and devoted services to the AAO and its members. He has dedicated his career to education and inspiring others to give back to the specialty of orthodontics, to dentistry and to their communities.

Dr. Hill completed his orthodontic training at the University of Minnesota in 1965, and in 1970 he began his 30-year teaching career

at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester. For many years he served as the program director of the Section of Orthodontics in the Department of Dental Specialties.

Dr. Hill also was involved with the Minnesota Dental Association (MDA) and the American Dental Association (ADA). In 1985 he was appointed chair of the Special Committee of Fragmentation of the Association and the Profession for the ADA. He is a past president of the MDA, the Minnesota Association of Orthodontists (MAO),

the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists (MSO) and the Minnesota Board of Dentistry. Recently, the MAO honored Arnie with the Roger J. Fredsall Distinguished Service Award in recognition of his service to the specialty, the organization and the community. He also has received recognition as an outstanding alumnus of the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry.

In addition, Dr. Hill has served as chair of the AAO Council on Scientific Affairs; as a delegate to numerous AAO Houses of Delegates; and as a member of the Orthodontic Clinical Practice Guidelines Task Force and the Managed Care Task Force. Most recently, he served as general chair of the Annual Session in Hawaii.

The Louise Ada Jarabak Research Award was presented by the AAO to Dr. **Harold T. Perry** for his significant contributions to orthodontic teaching and research.

For over 40 years, he taught and mentored more than 360 residents at Northwestern

University Dental School. He served as chair of the department for 25 years and earned professor emeritus status in 1992. Dr. Perry returned to Northwestern University to assist the final classes of orthodontic residents when the



Hal Perry with his wife, Lynn, with the Jarabak Award.

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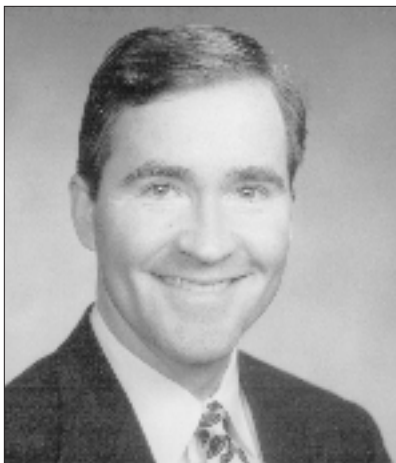
President's Report

I received an e-mail the other day from our *MSO Newsletter* Editor **Steve Litton** requesting my semi-annual presidential "State of the MSO" message. Thank goodness for my phalanx of speech writers, my press secretary, bodyguards and special personal trainer, Dr. **Dick Perkins!**

My year-in-review highlights include several items. I had the honor of presiding over our MSO Ad Interim meeting March 6-7 in St. Louis. We welcomed new directors Drs. **Babette Cohen** and **Jackie Miller** and directors-to-be Drs. **Paula Harre** and **Ross Crist**. With their collective addition, the Board's beauty and brains have been exponentially increased! A By-laws change was approved allowing the Chair of the Committee on Communications an unlimited term of office as designated by the Board. This will allow current MSO Editor **Steve Litton** to continue his excellent work in that capacity for a while longer. And, congratulations to Steve who is the recipient of this year's Earl E. Shepard Distinguished Service Award. Presentation of this prestigious award will be made at the MSO's Ad Interim meeting in March 2004.

The AAO Annual Session in Hawaii was a phenomenal success, thanks to the yeoman efforts of General Arrangements Chair **Arnie Hill** and his merry band of volunteers, including Drs. **Mike Fuchs**, **Terry Guenther**, **Bob Isaacson**, **John Kanyusik**, **Jim Klarsch**, **Brent Larson**, **Steve Litton** and **Steve Roehm**. Great job! Thumbs up! Hats off to all of you!

For Cindy and me, the highlight of the meeting was Dr. **Jim Gjerset's** Presidential Reception on the 32nd floor of the Sheraton Waikiki Beach Hotel, overlooking the surfers on the famed beach as the sun set gracefully over the Pacific. To me, paradise is not really a special place but rather being with special people. We were definitely in paradise that night as we gathered with AAO leaders and friends to celebrate Jim's lifetime of contributions to our specialty. A glorious tribute to a glorious man and his



Thomas M. Stark

lovely wife, LuAnne.

The MSO delegation to the AAO House of Delegates was chaired by Dr. **Mike Inda** and included Drs. **Keith Levin**, **Steve Roehm**, **Mike Keim**, **Tom Stark**, **Jim Klarsch**, **Babette Cohen**, **Bill Schuckit** and **Jackie Miller** with our Trustee, Dr. **Lee Graber**. Together,

this "MSO Dream Team" was able to shepherd through a major resolution to dramatically streamline the efficiency of the AAO House of Delegates. Keith and Lee have graciously volunteered to serve on the committee deputized to address this important issue. Progress takes time but stay tuned!

The first three-way combined Constituent Annual Session involving the MSO, SWSO and GLAO will occur September 18-21, at the New Orleans Marriott. Beautiful facility, great location, excellent speakers, awesome social events – it should be an outstanding meeting! Get your tickets early to hear baseball All-Star and one-armed pitcher **Jim Abbott's** motivational message on overcoming obstacles at the Opening Day Breakfast on Friday, September 19.

With just a few months left in my term of office, I am rapidly approaching the transition from being "Who's who" to "Who's he?!" From the perspective of having been privileged to observe the MSO from the inside, I continue to marvel at the broad list of "unsung heroes" who quietly give so generously of their time, talent and treasure for the betterment of our specialty and each of our lives. The list is truly infinite but would most certainly include our bright and articulate trustee and orthodontic blueblood Dr. **Lee Graber**; the big-hearted, thoughtful, do-it-all Dr. **Steve Litton**; the quietly brilliant, modest and generous Dr. **Keith Levin**; the easy-going, laid-back techno-brainiac Dr. **Brent Larson**; our orthodontic educators; and so many others.

But the winner of my first (and last) Stark's "Is That Cool or What?" MSO Unsung Hero Award has to go to Dr. **Frank Miller**. After a splendidly successful and very active orthodontic career in Washington, Missouri, which included being MSO President in 1993, this true Renaissance Man spurned the traditional retirement pursuits. Instead, at the age of 64, Frank completed his medical degree in order to more completely serve the poor of Central America on his many mission trips down there. Wow! What a tremendous role model for all of us!

It continues to be humbly inspiring for me to rub shoulders with these and all of the other giants of our most wonderful profession. We are all so very blessed!

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Jim Gjerset (l), receiving Marine saber from Admiral Fargo (c) and Tom Stark. Arnie Hill is in the background.

Trustee's Report

Congratulations to all the MSO members who worked so hard to make the 2003 Annual Session in Hawaii such a success. At the top of the list is Dr. **Jim Gjerset**, who orchestrated the selection and oversight of the 2003 Planning Committee and served so well in his 2002-2003



LuAnne and Jim Gjerset

year as our AAO president. Jim and his wife, LuAnne, worked with their MSO colleagues to develop an outstanding scientific and social experience in the Hawaiian Islands. Dr. **Arnie Hill** served as the general chairman, Drs. **Bob Isaacson** and **Steve**

Litton were Doctors' Scientific Program Co-chairs; Drs. **John Kanyusik** and **Steve Roehm** were Staff Program Co-chairs, Drs. **Mike Fuchs** and **Brent Larson** shared the chair for Doctors' Roundtables; and Drs. **Terry Guenther** and **Jim Klarsch** were in charge of the Staff Roundtables.

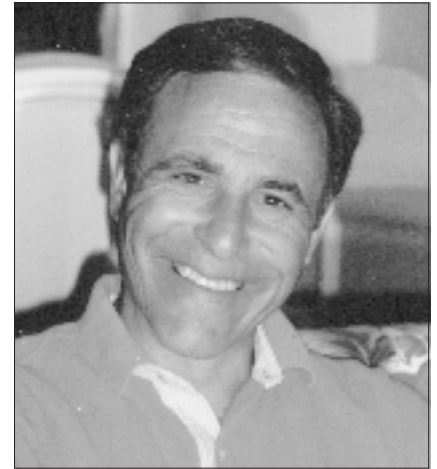
In addition to managing the meeting, Midwestern Society members ran off with two of the three top national AAO prizes. Dr. **Arnie Hill** received the James E. Brophy Distinguished Service Award, the highest service award and recognition provided by the AAO. Dr. **Hal Perry**, past chairman and Professor Emeritus at Northwestern University, was presented with the Louise Ada Jarabak Memorial International Teachers and Research Award. Both of these gentlemen have contributed to orthodontic education in the midwest, nationally and internationally.

The MSO directors and officers have been focused for several years on improving the governance of the AAO. Most notable have been the efforts to review the governance structure of the AAO national organization. This year's AAO national leadership conference program was the direct result of a MSO resolution directing the BOT to focus on the need for future changes within the AAO. With the help of a "futurist" as our facilitator, AAO members representing a diverse constituency developed suggestions for the AAO leadership to consider. The main action result to-date was a MSO-sponsored resolution to the 2003 House of Delegates designed to focus on needed changes within the House schedule. A special committee is now being formed to make specific recommendations for improvement. I have been appointed to a special committee as one of two liaisons from the BOT, and Dr. **Keith Levin** will be representing the MSO.

In addition, the BOT has developed three additional committees to look at other management aspects of the organization. The result is expected to be what we in the MSO feel is "streamlining" that will help to improve

membership services with an eventual decrease in membership costs. The integration of electronic communications will play a key role.

If I were to make a single recommendation to a member, it would be to remain in contact with the AAO through its Web site. There is a wealth of



Lee W. Graber

material available to you in a concise format. This includes a new library section, the ability to order AAO materials online and the use of the distance learning program. In addition, a significant and increasing number of the back issues of the *AJO/DO* are available online in a format that allows you to seek specific information through an easy search. There is a direct link to the *AJO/DO* site on the AAO home page. (The AAO has committed financial support for even more *AJO/DO* issues to be available online to allow increased search capabilities for the sole use of the AAO members.)

If you have delayed becoming an "online" AAO member, you should do so now. Your AAO supports you with a "free" e-mail address and the ability to have a Web developer specialist help you with needs you may have for your office or individual Web site. The AAO also has a free Web-based patient referral system that can link to a Web site that you have developed through the AAO or through an outside vendor. I would encourage you to visit <http://www.aaomembers.org> and see what is available.

The AAO Web site home page also has a link to the activities of our AAO Political Action Committee. As I have reported before, the AAOPAC has had great success in developing relationships with federal legislators. So much of what we do is controlled in Washington, and our PAC is a critical part of our ability to have our issues heard. 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 personal payment from your dues, even though the AAO dues statement has lines for both your PAC contribution and the annual dues amount. You will see a reduction in AAO dues this year that will be explained in detail with an informational insert in the billing statement this summer.

Many membership services continue to grow. More

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Membership Report

Current Membership – May 30, 2003

Active Members	984
Affiliate Members	8
Associate Members	22
Retired Members	276
Total Members	1,290

Active Membership by Component

Illinois	355
Iowa	82
Manitoba	21
Minnesota	153
Missouri	150
Nebraska	50
North Dakota	12
South Dakota	16
Wisconsin	145

Deceased Members

Dave L. Frederick – Norfolk, Nebraska
John S. Kloehn – Appleton, Wisconsin

Active to Retired Members

Gerald R. Eganhouse – Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Robert R. Schmisser – Champaign, Illinois

New Associate Members

John Ashby – St. Louis, Missouri
Maylani Evangelista – Franklin, Wisconsin
Rebecca Hanson – Blaine, Minnesota
Tony Hsu – St. Louis, Missouri
Alexander Ritchey – Joliet, Illinois
Ryan VanLaecken – Watertown, South Dakota

Reinstated Members

Edward F. Kastelic – Brookfield, Wisconsin

Transfers to/from MSO

Kelly Tabacchi from Independence, Missouri to SWSO
R. Bruce McFarland from GLAO to Winnipeg, Manitoba

Cancelled Memberships

Fadi Akhras – Chicago, Illinois
Irving Anders – Madison, Wisconsin
Eustaquio A. Araujo – moved from St. Louis, Missouri to South America
Dauro Oliveira – moved from St. Louis, Missouri to South America

*Membership data from December 10, 2002 to May 30, 2003.

Eversoll Endowment to Benefit Residents

The Dr. **Douglas K. Eversoll** Memorial Fund for the Postgraduate Orthodontic Program is a permanently endowed fund established in Dr. Eversoll's memory at the University of Nebraska Foundation. The fund will recognize Doug's contributions to orthodontics by giving post-graduate students in the medical center program an opportunity to attend local, state, regional and national orthodontic meetings that might otherwise be unaffordable to them.

Eversoll, who received his D.D.S. degree from UNMC in 1984 and his orthodontic post-graduate degree in 1986, practiced in Nebraska while serving as president of the MSO. He belonged to the American Association of Orthodontists, the American Dental Association, the Nebraska Dental Association, the Lincoln Orthodontic Society and the Lincoln District Dental Association.

The fund was established by Eversoll family members to encourage students to become involved in professional organizations and activities and to volunteer their time to such endeavors. The Eversoll family believes the fund reflects one of Doug's major life themes of building group strength through dedicated leadership.

"Doug was passionate about supporting organized dentistry, notably his own specialty of orthodontics," said Dr. **Peter Spalding**, associate professor and chair of the Department of Growth and Development at the dental college. "The fund honors Doug's enthusiasm for his profession and inspires future generations of orthodontists to the same level of commitment. It supports our students' early involvement in orthodontic organizations."

Friends, family and colleagues have donated more than \$8,000 to the Eversoll fund. A goal of \$75,000 is set to fully fund the endowment and make it a self-sustaining benefit to students. Additional contributions are encouraged and those interested in supporting the Eversoll Memorial Fund may contact **Susan Sack Norby** at the University of Nebraska Foundation. She can be reached by e-mail at snorby@foundation.nebraska.edu or 800/432-3216.

The University of Nebraska Foundation is a non-profit corporation supplementing support for students, faculty, facilities and programs at the University of Nebraska's four campuses through gifts from alumni, friends, corporations and other foundations.

Treasurer's Report

Cash Assets – As of May 31, 2003

PaineWebber Money Market	\$40,019.30
PaineWebber CDs	131,842.43
Mutual Funds	28,755.19
President's Reception Fund (2003)	<u>10,677.86</u>
Total Cash Assets	\$211,294.78

News and Notes about our Members

- Congratulations to Dr. **Arnold J. Hill**, Rochester, Minnesota, for receiving the James E. Brophy Distinguished Service Award.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Harold T. Perry**, Florence, Oregon, as a co-winner of the Louise Ada Jarabak Memorial International Teachers and Research Award.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Keith R. Erickson**, Eagan, Minnesota, upon his election as president of the St. Paul District Dental Society.
- Congratulations to Dr. **David R. Musich**, Schaumburg, Illinois, and **Cecile Yoon-Tarlie**, Glenview, Illinois, upon their appointment as chairs of COOP and NYMAC, respectively.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Peter M. Spalding**, Lincoln, Nebraska, upon his election as Secretary/Treasurer of the Orthodontic Section of the American Dental Education Association.
- Thanks to Drs. **Stephen C. Roehm**, Peoria, Illinois; **Thomas M. Stark**, Ames, Iowa; **Michael L. Keim**, Fargo, North Dakota; and **Michael J. Inda**, Waukesha, Wisconsin, for serving on House Committees during the AAO House of Delegates in Hawaii.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Frank H. Klepacki**, Hinsdale, Illinois, who received the Illinois Society of Orthodontists' Outstanding Teacher Award for 2003.
- Congratulations to Dr. **K. Hermann Lee**, Winnipeg, Manitoba, for being honored with an award for Exemplary Leadership by the Winnipeg Chinese Cultural and Community Center.
- Congratulations to Dr. **William I. Schuckit**, Grafton, Wisconsin, who was given an award for his outstanding service and contributions to our profession as an instructor and his service to the WSO and MSO.
- Thanks to Drs. **Leo C. Sinna**, Forest Lake, Minnesota, and **Stephen F. Litton**, Golden Valley, Minnesota, for accepting positions on COI and COMEJC, respectively.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Kenneth P. Yonan**, Glenview, Illinois, upon his election as president of the Chicago Dental Society.
- Congratulations to Dr. **William F. Liljemark**, Minneapolis, Minnesota, upon his appointment as Interim Dean of the School of Dentistry.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Robert A. Arnold**, Watertown, South Dakota, upon his election as president of the South Dakota Dental Association.



MSO Officers and Directors preparing for the first-ever joint meeting of three constituents to be held at the New Orleans Marriott, September 18-21, 2003 (see page 22).



MSO/GLAO 2004 Planning Committee from l to r: Steve Roehm, MSO 2004 President; Bob Brown, GLAO 2004 President; Steve Marshall, General Arrangements Chair; and Jeff Gilmore, Registration Committee Chair.

AAO Council Reports

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

Council on Communications

The next scheduled meeting of this Council is July 25-26 in St. Louis.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding the on-going activities of your COC.

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Council on Insurance

The AAO Council on Insurance manages AAO-approved insurance plans and makes recommendations to the AAO Board of Trustees regarding new insurance products.

The past year was a record year for all AAO insurance plans with increased member participation in professional liability, health and disability, term life and business office plans. Premium increases in AAO health plans have been below industry trend.

COI reviewed the Employment Practices Liability Insurance plan previously approved by the AAO Board of Trustees and authorized marketing of this product to AAO members. It is interesting and important to note that claims against employers for improper employment practices are definitely on the rise, and the size of awards granted to plaintiffs are very often massively in excess of the average awards under professional liability.

The Council recommended the AAO Board of Trustees approve a Long-Term Care plan for AAO members and their families. This is a unique product in the AAO insurance plans portfolio in that it does not advocate a singular insurance product but rather presents a service that investigates the long-term care insurance market to find a particular plan suitable to the AAO member's requirements.

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Council on Governmental Affairs

COGA met February 2-4, 2003, in Washington, D.C. and held four VIP events with Rep. **Nancy Johnson**

(R-CT), Rep. **Bill Thomas** (R-CA), Sen. **Harry Reid** (D-NV) and Sen. **Jon Kyl** (R-AZ). Issues discussed included the expansion of Medical Savings Accounts, the "Small Business Health Fairness Act" (also called "Association Health Plan") and the immediate expensing of business equipment. The legislators also spoke to the Council about their views on issues before Congress, including the war on terror and the President's economic stimulus package.

The Council is recommending to the Board of Trustees that

- an AAO Key Contact and constituent of the legislator be present when the Council holds VIP events for legislators in Washington, D.C.
- in states where candidates who are supported by the AAO are involved in a close election, the AAO should communicate to members in that state or district the issues and voting records of the candidates.
- the *Politics and Policy Legislative Update* be sent to all U.S. members via e-mail, fax or mail, as appropriate. Also, the *Update* should be expanded to include in-depth coverage of the AAO's Government Relations Program.
- the *Legislative News* be eliminated at a savings of \$14,000 per year.
- the AAO hold a Key Contact Reception during the 2004 Annual Session in Orlando. Since Florida will be a key state during the election year, the AAO could draw an important legislator or Bush administration figure, which would highlight the AAO's Government Relations Program.
- the AAO prepare an informational packet for its members, to include a waiver form prepared by the AAO and a letter from Assistant Secretary of Defense **Charles Abell**. The packet would serve to inform the membership that they do not have to sign a release form from the military when new recruits request the removal of orthodontic appliances. The members could then use the AAO-prepared waiver form to absolve them from liability.
- the AAO send a letter to the appropriate members of Congress, to be identified by the Chair of the Council and **Tim Haake**, the AAO's Legislative Counsel, urging the introduction of legislation that would allow Association Health Plans and the expansion of Medical Savings Accounts. The Council believes that both concepts would lower health insurance premiums for AAO members and their staff as well as giving them more options to pursue consumer-driven health care coverage.

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- the 2004 Annual Session Planning Committee consider inviting Vice President Cheney to speak at its meeting.
- the AAO should inquire of the Dental Specialty Group as to ways in which the dental specialty organizations can collectively address governmental relations issues of mutual concern.
- the AAO's *Guide to Patient Privacy Rules*, a 27-page document regarding the most recent HIPAA regulations, should be publicized. The guide contains information regarding compliance as well as model consent, notice, business associate and privacy policy forms.

The Council asked staff to informally communicate with the ADA's Washington office to further the AAO's relationship with the ADA in the government relations area. Staff was requested to obtain copies of the ADA's COGA meeting minutes and to determine whether an AAO COGA representative can attend a portion of the ADA COGA meetings. Additionally, the Council would like to invite select members of the ADA's Washington, D.C. staff to future COGA meetings.

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Council on Information Technology

The development of technology continues to be important for the future of the AAO. For this year's Annual Session in Hawaii, well over 50% of the registrations were done through the AAO Web site! This improves efficiency and accuracy of the registration process as well as reducing the data entry time for staff. The Cyber Café continues to be very popular by allowing people access to e-mail and the Web during the Annual Session. A new Annual Session feature this year was the addition of wireless access points in the convention center. This allowed anyone with their own laptop or PDA that was Wi-Fi enabled to get online while just sitting in the hallways of the convention center!

I mentioned in the last newsletter that COIT was conducting a survey of AAO members regarding their practice management software experience. This survey was done online and I offer my personal thanks to those of you who took time to participate. The results of the survey are being analyzed and if you are interested in seeing the results, watch for an article in the *Bulletin* and on the AAO Web site at <http://www.aaomembers.org>.

The new AAO Online store is now available on the AAO Web site. This allows you to browse through the

available products and purchase online much like you would with any other online vendor. In addition, you may use a credit card to pay for your purchase using very secure technology that protects your credit card information.

In order to help constituents (like MSO) and components (like Minnesota) have their own Web sites, the Council is investigating the development of templates that could be used easily by these organizations to have their own site hosted by the AAO. If this can be done, it would allow the smaller organizations the use of the robust AAO technology at a great cost savings. At this time, we are working with California as a pilot project to see if, indeed, this concept is feasible.

Don't forget to try the AAO free.mail to have a powerful free e-mail service available from anywhere with an Internet connection. Members now have 20MB of free e-mail storage. Try the distance learning education modules available for you and your staff. There is truly something for everyone at <http://www.aaomembers.org>!

Please let me know if you have other ideas on which we, as a Council, should be working.

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Council on Membership, Ethics and Judicial Concerns

I would like to thank Dr. **John Kanyusik**, Mankato, Minnesota, for his service on COMEJC, including his term as chair. I know that he was a great asset to this Council and represented our organization in the most exemplary fashion.

The House of Delegates passed a resolution allowing members the choice of using their residence or practice location in determining which constituent they wish to join. The issues of dues for Canadian members and membership status for non-U.S. or Canadian-trained orthodontists who then become licensed were referred back to the Council for further study. Also, a follow-up survey to the "2000 Survey of Future Practice Plans of Members Over 50" will be conducted.

Dr. **Lee Graber**, MSO Trustee, is the trustee-liaison to this Council for this year. I am eagerly awaiting our first Council meeting.

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Council on Orthodontic Education

The 2003 Orthodontic Educators Conference, held on May 2 during the American Association of Orthodontists meeting in Honolulu, was organized by Drs. **Katherine Vig** and **Robert G. Keim**. The topic was "Issues and Direction in Craniofacial Research" with the keynote speaker being Dr. **Harold Slavkin**, Dean at the University of Southern California and former Director of the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. The focus groups and their moderators were: IRB Process (Dr. **Robert Keim**), Research Funding – AAOF and Beyond (Dr. **Peter Sinclair**), Interdisciplinary Collaborations (Dr. **Carla Evans**), Facilitation of New Faculty Members' Development of a Research Profile (Dr. **Katherine Vig**) and Future Directions for Orthodontic Research (Dr. **Franz Courier**). Another topic discussed was whether all orthodontic specialty programs should be a minimum of 32 months in length, but no recommendations were made on this subject. AAOF checks in support of resident research were distributed to schools having representatives at the conference.

Orthodontic department chairs within the MSO, GLAO and SWSO constituents are invited to the COE luncheon at the New Orleans combined meeting of these societies on Saturday, September 20. Each AAO member student attending an MSO-area university can apply for a partial travel grant and will receive free registration. Requests must be made to MSO by August 6.

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Council on Orthodontic Health Care

Dr. **Scott Jamieson**, Council chair, and Mr. **Charles Brightwell**, AAO staff, participated in the ADA Committee on Procedural Coding meeting in April. Ms. **Ann Sebaugh**, also from the AAO staff, represented COHC at the American Association of Dental Consultants convention in May.

Inserted in the March 2003 *AAO Bulletin* was the "At-A-Glance Guide," a concise resource developed by COHC to help utilize the CDT-4 version 2002 Orthodontic Procedural Codes. We hope you and your staff are finding this helpful in your office.

Dr. **John Harrison** is finalizing a comprehensive

manual which, hopefully, will be made available to all AAO members in the near future. The manual, *Orthodontic Office Insurance Guide*, will include chapters on:

- History and Types of Dental Benefit Plans
- Claims Administration
- HIPAA and EDI Information
- Orthodontic Coding
- Problem Scenarios and Conflict Resolution
- Offices of State Insurance Commissioners
- Glossary and Sample Forms and Correspondence

The Council continues to monitor and receive updates regarding Direct Reimbursement and the Dental Benefits Advisory Service. We are pleased to note that the original DR USA profit/loss projections have been surpassed with the addition of a large group from Texas effective January 1, 2003.

Dr. **Steven Barrett** of the National Council Against Health Fraud reports an increase in dental "quackery." These incidents not only include unscrupulous treatment practices but also insurance fraud. The entire dental community is encouraged to be vigilant in reporting questionable practices. Information can be found at <http://www.dentalwatch.org>.

Ongoing activities of COHC include reviewing and reporting HIPAA regulations and its effect on the AAO and its members, and reviewing and recommending revisions in Orthodontic Coding to the ADA.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 2, 2003, in St. Louis.

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Council on Orthodontic Practice

The Council met on February 6, 2003, in Tampa, Florida, prior to the "Orthodontist as CEO" meeting which was developed and sponsored by COOP and had an informal review meeting in Hawaii. Our next meeting will be held in St. Louis on August 15-16, 2003.

COOP sponsored another very successful Transition Program at the Annual Session in Hawaii with Dr. **Jerry Clark** presenting pertinent points regarding the necessary steps in transition. He was joined by Dr. **John McDonald** who relayed first-hand experience of his recent transition into his father's practice in Oregon. Dr. **Gayle Glenn** chaired the program.

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COOP will be sponsoring an innovative transition program in Orlando in 2004. This program will integrate important aspects of the orthodontists' role as CEO with the process of transition. The presentation will cover concepts that are valuable for both the doctor transitioning into a practice and the doctor transitioning out of practice. Mr. **Randall Berning** will present most of this program.

COOP is in the discussion phase of developing an advanced CEO conference for the winter of 2006. Options are still being considered for both format and location and COOP is waiting for BOT approval of this program.

A COOP subcommittee, headed by Dr. **Mary Barkley**, has successfully improved both the child and the adult health history forms. These forms, as well as many other AAO-developed forms, soon will be available on disc from AAO. Watch for the announcement on the Web site or in the *Bulletin*.

COI and COOP will be working together on updating the AAO's informed consent brochure. The subcommittees working on this will try to both simplify the form and add items that may not have been emphasized in the earlier packet.

The subcommittee that is working on the dated *Office Design Manual* has developed many great ideas to make this manual more useful for the orthodontists who are starting a practice or who are remodeling/updating their office. When complete, this will be available to be downloaded from the Web with the capacity to update it more frequently and with possible links to manufacturers and office design consultants. The *Office Design Manual* will have a section on computer/technologic considerations and on ergonomic features. Dr. Barkey, as chair of the subcommittee, is working with Dr. **John Grubb**, chair of "Office of the Future" at the 2004 Annual Session, to integrate important advances in office design concepts. This manual will be completed sometime in 2004.

COOP is sponsoring a staff "Train-the-Trainer" program which will be part of the 2004 Annual Session. This important program will be a limited attendance, ticketed program for 100 clinical staff trainers and 100 administrative trainers. Dr. **Rebecca Poling** and Ms. **Lori Garland Parker** will be the coordinators of this program which is scheduled for Saturday, May 1. Those who register for this program should have several years of experience and have training responsibility in the office in which they are working. This unique continuing education experience has a focus on training trainers in the latest techniques of adult training and in methods and procedures to bring the staff training program at their office to a much higher level.

COOP is now monitoring the Practice Opportunities/Alternatives Program and serving as an advisory

Council to this important service available through AAO. A new Practice Opportunities Coordinator, **Katie Repking**, was brought on staff at the AAO last summer and new activity in this program is being seen under her leadership.

This program is designed to match buyers and sellers for practices that are being transitioned. As of May 5, 2003, it was reported that 58 seekers have been matched with providers. We expect this program to continue to improve for the benefit of AAO members.

Additional COOP activities include continuing efforts to make orthodontists aware of their role in encouraging smoking cessation for both adult and teenage patients; developing a brochure for orthodontists to use for patients who have suffered dental or facial trauma; developing a brochure for orthodontists and staff to provide greater guidance to patients who, for a variety of reasons, are at higher risk for dental decay during their orthodontic treatment; and a COOP subcommittee is looking into a discussion of the orthodontist's role in the management of orthodontic problems of special needs patients. This may be a human interest story for the *Bulletin* which could develop into another patient education brochure.

As can be seen, there are many projects in the "pipeline" at COOP. The Council has several new members who have excellent backgrounds to contribute to AAO members' practice management needs, and I expect a very productive year from your Council. If you have questions, ideas or suggestions for consideration, please contact me.

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Council on Scientific Affairs

COSA met on January 12, 2003, in St. Louis to review twenty-one entries for consideration of research awards and, by consensus, the following research projects were selected for 2003 awards:

Milo Hellman Award

Dr. **Sunil Wadhwa**, University of Connecticut Health Center – "Fluid Shear Stress Induction of Cox-2 Expression in Osteoblastic Cells"

Harry Sicher First Research Essay Award

Dr. **M. Bina Park**, University of Michigan – "Profile of Gene Expression in Rat Mandibular Distraction Osteogenesis"

Thomas M. Graber Award of Special Merit (4 awardees):

Dr. **Rodrigo Oyonarte**, University of Toronto – "Peri-

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Implant Bone Response to Continuous Horizontal Loading: A Comparison Between Porous-Surfaced and Threaded Osseointegrated Implants Used as Orthodontic Anchorage Units”

Dr. **Michael J. Bicknell**, University of Illinois at Chicago – “Altering the Surface Appearance of Titanium Metal Orthodontic Brackets Through an Anodization Process”

Dr. **Brad A. Chvatal**, Baylor College – “Development and Testing of Multi-level Models for Longitudinal Craniofacial Growth Prediction”

Dr. **Cameron R. Wheeler**, University of California/San Francisco – “Surface Modification of Enamel Using 355-nm Laser Irradiation”

There were 105 applications to present oral abstracts and the Council selected 34 of them. The remaining applications were either rejected or were offered the opportunity to present a table clinic or posterboard exhibit. Eighty-nine applications to present table clinics were received and the Council accepted 52. There were 186 applications to present posterboards and 45 were rejected; nine were considered more appropriate as table clinic exhibits and were offered that option; and the remainder were accepted.

By consensus, the Council agreed that the AAO should support the ADA’s position on Fluoridation of Water Supplies; that Dr. **Charles Burstone** be recommended to the BOT as an AAO nominee for the ADA Gold Medal Award of Excellence in Dental Research; and that the BOT request that the AAO Foundation provide voting representation on its PARC for at least one member of COSA.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2004, in St. Louis.

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American Board of Orthodontics

Congratulations to MSO members Drs. **Kyle R. Childers**, Benton, Illinois; **John G. Kharouf**, Rapid City, South Dakota; **Rose D. Sheats**, Rochester, Minnesota; **Neil M. Warshawsky**, Glenview, Illinois; and **Thomas G. Wilson**, Des Moines, Iowa, who completed their board certification in St. Louis this past February and now are new Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics. I hope all of you will be able to attend the MSO meeting in New Orleans in September to display your cases.

Of the 602 case reports presented by 74 candidates, only 14 cases (2.6%) were found incomplete due to occlusion. The Board feels requiring candidates to grade their own cases with the gauge before presenting their cases is raising the pass rate. Cases also fall incomplete for case management and category specification besides occlusion. Of all the case reports presented, 90.5% were complete. Overall, the candidate pass rate was 76%.

MSO members Drs. **Patricia A. Boice**, St. Joseph, Missouri; **Gilpatrick Schmidtke**, Appleton, Wisconsin; and **Ross W. Stryker**, Lebanon, Missouri, became “provisionally certified.” This means these members took and passed the BCROE portion of the Phase III examination and presented twelve sets of acceptable diagnostic records to enter the Option II pathway. They now have five years to treat and present any six of the twelve cases to the Board to complete their certification.

Drs. **Thomas G. Arnold**, Lakeville, Minnesota; **Keith R. Erickson**, Eagan, Minnesota; **Steven J. Henseler**, Woodbury, Minnesota; **Didem O. Ince**, O’Fallon, Missouri; **John W. Kizior**, Jasper, Missouri; **Katherine S. Kula**, Kansas City, Missouri; **Budi Kusnoto**, Chicago, Illinois; **Steven J. Mack**, Bettendorf, Iowa; **Mark G. Mendlik**, Fremont, Nebraska; **Stuart I. Robb**, Gurnee, Illinois; **Edmund L. Yopez**, Creve Coeur, Missouri; and **Cecile Yoon-Tarlie**, Glenview, Illinois, passed the BCROE portion of their Phase III examination. They are a step along in their certification process and have added time to their entering either the Option I or Option II pathway.

Speaking of Phase III, I’d like to publicly thank MSO diplomate and CDABO past-president Dr. **John Kanyusik** for helping with the Phase III exam in 2002 and 2003. The Board has asked a few ABO diplomates to serve as consultants each year to help us with the exam, and John has done a great job for us the past two years.

The Phase II written examination was given in two locations on May 2, due to possible travel expense hardships for residents to the 2003 AAO Annual Session in Hawaii. It was decided to offer an alternative site in St. Louis where 127 people took the exam. In Hawaii 162 took the test. I’d like to thank four St. Louis area diplomates who helped proctor the test there – Drs. **Frank Miller**, **Ken Rowan**, **John Tabash** and **Ernst Taeger**.

Three MSO members deserve recognition and congratulations for “volunteering” for recertification. They are Drs. **Paul T. Castelein**, Princeton, Illinois; **Ken Rowan**, Jefferson City, Missouri; and **David W. Schrody**, Clinton, Iowa. As you know, orthodontics was the only dental specialty not giving a time-limited board certificate, so in 1999 the board began giving fifteen-year board

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certificates. We hope to have current diplomates “volunteer” each year until the recertification exam becomes mandatory to help us evaluate the best recertification exam protocol. Currently, volunteers are asked to send in one treated case from categories 1-8, diagnose and treatment plan two assigned cases from the Web site case pool and score casts from ten consecutively treated cases.

Special kudos are in order for Dr. **Ken Rowan**, Jefferson City, Missouri, for having his recertification case selected for display at the Annual Session in Hawaii. The Board has received many positive comments from previous recertification volunteers so if you are asked, please consider participating in the process. I think you will enjoy the experience. I will be asking for more volunteers in the next few months or so.

I'd also like to congratulate Dr. **Jim Gjerset** of the MSO for his great year as AAO President. Many important issues are occurring in dentistry and orthodontics that may profoundly affect the future of our great profession. Jim's awareness of these concerns and his great leadership skills were put to use this past year. Jim's presidential year was highlighted by a great meeting in Hawaii.

Dr. **Don Joondeph**, Seattle, Washington, was the winner of the Albert H. Ketcham Memorial Award presented at the Hawaii meeting. Dr. **Anthony A. Gianelly** was announced as the recipient of the 2004 Ketcham Memorial Award in Orlando.

Dr. **Tyler Ferris**, San Antonio, Texas, was awarded the Earl E. and Wilma S. Shepherd Award at the CDABO luncheon in Hawaii. The Shepherd Award is given annually for the highest score on the Phase II written examination.

In closing, I want to mention that the Board will conduct a three-year trial period beginning with the 2004 Phase III examination where candidates have their choice of selecting their board presentation cases by either category or discrepancy index. The Board, under the leadership of now ABO President **Tom Cangialosi**, has created a discrepancy index and has been keeping statistics on Phase III cases for several years. We are now ready to field test this method. Detailed information concerning its use will be coming out in the *AAO Bulletin* and journal.

Remember to come to the MSO meeting in New Orleans, September 18-21, 2003. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists and the Southwestern Society of Orthodontists. I hope to see you there at the ABO/CDABO luncheon on September 19.

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College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics

The College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontists will hold its summer meeting at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville, North Carolina, from July 12-16, 2003. The theme of the meeting will be “Taking AIM: Team Strategies for Ankylosed, Impacted and Missing Teeth.” More emphasis will be placed on interactive sessions as a full 30 minutes of questions will be allowed for each speaker. For scientific reviews of the lectures, log on to <http://www.cdabo.org>.

Next summer our annual session will be held in Sunriver, Oregon. The theme of the meeting will be “Adult Orthodontics,” and it will include five different topics: ortho-perio, ortho-restorative, implants, esthetics and interdisciplinary interaction of team members. The meeting will be held July 18-22, 2004, so mark your calendars now.

Just a reminder that a book edited by Dr. **Samir Bishara**, entitled, *The College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics – A Historical Perspective*, is available on loan from the AAO Library as well as the Library of Congress (Catalogue Number 92-74488).

CDABO currently has over 1,500 active members. Membership is open to orthodontists who are Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontists. For more information about the College, please call 636/928-3700.

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American Association of Orthodontists Foundation

After many years of great service, Dr. **John Pershing's** term as the MSO representative on the AAO Foundation Board of Directors ended with the Annual Session held in Hawaii. We would like to thank John for his enthusiasm for the Foundation and the attention he brought to it. John will continue to serve the Foundation as he begins to organize a new committee focused on “Fifty Fellows by 2005.” A pledge at the Fellow level will be in the amount of \$50,000.

With the upcoming combined meeting of MSO, GLAO and SWSO, the members of these constituents offer

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a challenge to the members of the other five constituents that they will realize more dollars in pledges and more new Regents recruited between August 1, 2003, and January 31, 2004, than the other five constituents combined.

As of June 1, the Foundation has reached over \$1 million in pledges for the year. We are on target for the fifth consecutive year to reach \$2 million in pledges. Also, there are 304 Regents with the new goals of reaching "400 Regents by 2004" and "500 Regents by 2005."

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American Association of Orthodontists Political Action Committee

As summer approaches, two issues will heat up in Washington, D.C. One is the temperature itself and the other will be the number one domestic political issue – health benefits. Health benefits will be the main topic for the upcoming 2004 presidential election and, therefore, all health-related matters will be in play.

Your AAOPAC funds are presently being deployed to legislators who sit on committees that handle issues related to dentists and dentistry, such as flexible spending accounts. Through your financial support, AAOPAC and COGA develop long-term relationships with our national legislators.

While your AAO dues support COGA's work, only voluntary contributions support AAOPAC. Please complete your obligation by joining AAOPAC today. This will ensure that your freedom to practice as you see fit will continue in the future.

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New and Younger Member Advisory Committee

NYMAC was busy in preparation for the Annual Session in Hawaii. We had a few conference calls and a face-to-face meeting at the AAO Leadership Conference where we finalized our planning and discussed future objectives for the committee.

A heartfelt thanks to all who helped make

NYMAC's third Annual Session program in Hawaii a great success, especially our chairperson for the Annual Session, **Dr. Jeff Cavanaugh**. **Ms. Debbie Best** was the speaker with a general panel discussion afterwards with a lot of interaction and great discussions. The Annual Session, unfortunately, concluded with a few of our original committee members ending their NYMAC commitments and moving forward on to other projects. Existing members who remain include Drs. **Cecile Yoon-Tarlie**, new chairperson 2003-2004; **Kevin Theroux**, RMSO; **Lisa Stokes**, SWSO; and **Timothy McSweeney**, NESO. We added Drs. **Mark Dusek**, SAO; **Andrea Laidlaw**, PCSO; **TJ Robinson**, GLAO; and **Tanya Stavisky**, MASO. Although we are sad to see some of our "founding fathers" leave, we are excited to welcome the new members of the committee.

We have a busy schedule planned for the upcoming year including continuing with *NYMO*, the online newsletter, and planning for the upcoming Annual Session in Orlando. Conference calls are anticipated as well as a face-to-face meeting in November. This year we will be focusing on transitions where we plan to get the newer members up-to-speed with the details of the committee. We also hope to add two current orthodontic residents as members in the near future. With our smaller "council-like" group and more formalized structure, NYMAC continues its evolution as it enters its third year.

NYMAC also wants to remind its members to check out the online newsletter for some valuable insight and interesting articles. *NYMO* can be accessed via the AAO Web site. Be sure that the AAO has your current e-mail address. We hope to gather as many e-mail addresses as possible for future online interactions such as a chat room for recent graduates.

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MSO members attending the AAO Leadership Conference held in St. Louis, January 10-11, 2003. In addition to a number of MSO members attending as representatives of councils and components, the MSO-assigned attendees included Tom Stark, Mike Inda, Jim Klarsch, Keith Levin, Jeff Cavanaugh and Cecile Yoon-Tarlie.

Component Reports

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Our April meeting featured Dr. **Rick Roblee** presenting a program on interdisciplinary treatment. Our business luncheon included a number of special guests. Dr. **Perry Tuneberg**, 8th District ADA Trustee, discussed the ADA's focus on the future of dental education and the



Frank Klepacki (l) receiving the ISO Teacher of the Year Award from his son, Mike Klepacki.

creative solutions currently being reviewed. Dr. **Dave Musich**, chairman of the AAO Council on Orthodontic Practice, shared an update on the council's activities including the upcoming "Train the Trainer" program. We fellow Illinoisians applaud Dave for his excellent work during his tenure on this Council. Dr. **Jerry Jarosz** was welcomed as incoming trustee for 2003-2004.

Dr. **Frank Klepacki** received this year's ISO Outstanding Teacher Award. A large group of family, staff and friends were present to share the moment as Frank reminisced about his teaching experiences and the special people in his life. The ISO, among many others, have greatly benefited from his many years of dedication. Congratulations, Frank!



Installed officers for ISO (l to r): Jerome Jarosz (incoming Trustee), Spencer Pope (re-elected Trustee), Ara Goshgarian (re-elected Trustee), James Kohl (Vice-President), David Forbes (President) and Frank Gruber (President-Elect).

The ISO sponsored Dr. **Lionel Sadowsky** who provided an all-day lecture on orthodontics at the Chicago Dental Society Midwinter Meeting. Lionel received an outstanding approval rating from the audience comprised mainly of general practitioners. Our own Dr. **Ken Yonan** serves as president of the Chicago Dental Society this year.

In April, Drs. **Dave Forbes** and **Frank Green** attended the Illinois State Dental Society Leadership Conference in Springfield. On behalf of the ISO Board of Directors, they presented a \$2,000 donation to the Dental Political Action Committee of Illinois. Thanks to Dr. **Paul Kattner** for his continued dedication to Dental IL-PAC.

We look forward to MSO's upcoming Annual Session in New Orleans, and for next year, Dr. **Steve Roehm** has put together a great team for MSO's 2004 Annual Session with GLAO in Chicago.

Our program for the 2003-2004 year at the Drury Lane Oakbrook is as follows:

October 20, 2003 — Dr. **Charles McNeill, III** on jaw disorders.

November 17, 2003 — Dr. **Edward Allen** on interdisciplinary perio-ortho.

February 20, 2004 — Dr. **Frank Celenza**, ISO-sponsored speaker at the Chicago Dental Society.

April 5, 2004 — Dr. **Alvaro Figueroa** on maxillary distraction.

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The spring has been exciting working on the expanded functions rulings by the board. A special thanks to all who have worked so hard and represented us so well including Drs. **Richard Perkins**, **Paul Hermanson**, **Mike Rovner** and all of those who took time to write many letters and go to the meetings. I have to say we have lost some ground, but if we work together, in the long run we can work out a positive solution.

The fall ISO meeting will be in Iowa City, October 26-28. I hope all of you can attend as I understand the speaker will be great, but it also will be a good chance for all of us to discuss the changes that need to happen with

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some of the board rules in Iowa. Plus, it will be fun cheering on the Hawks!

The second-year residents have a number of current topics covered so it will be a good chance to hear some great presentations as well as socialize. A special thank-you to Drs. **Paul Hermanson** and **Melissa Bernhart** for organizing a tour for the residents to some of the offices of central Iowa orthodontists.

The 2003 Iowa Summer Orthodontic Seminar will be held July 27-30 at Lake Okoboji.

Don't forget to attend the 2003 MSO Annual Session and see Dr. **Tom Stark!** It should be a fun meeting! And a thank-you to all of the individuals from Iowa who helped make the AAO meeting in Hawaii a success!

If I missed any events, people or updates, please let me know!

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The Manitoba Society of Orthodontists had its semi-annual meeting on May 22, 2003. At that time we welcomed our newest member, Dr. **Conny Athanasopoulos**, to his first local meeting.

After collecting funds from all of our members, the Manitoba Society has agreed to collectively advertise as a group using radio as the medium. Our take-home message will be that it is not necessary to have a referral to see an orthodontist – done as tactfully as possible, of course, so as not to offend our referral sources. Our group also has been successful in collecting funds for a group Yellow Pages advertisement with a similar message. The Yellow Pages were distributed recently with our ad in place!

One of our members, Dr. **Hermann Lee**, will be honored with an award for Exemplary Leadership in our city and province by the Winnipeg Chinese Cultural and Community Center on November 5, 2003. On June 16, 2003, Dr. **Samir Bishara** will be presenting a lecture at the University of Manitoba on, "Autotransplantation of Teeth: An Orthodontic Perspective." Dr. Bishara also will be the external examiner for the graduate orthodontic students this year.

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The MAO held its annual Winter Meeting in January at the Minneapolis Marriott City Center. As usual for our winter meeting, attendance was excellent. Ms. **Joan Garbo** spoke to staff, while the doctor program was presented by Mr. **Richard Collier**. Dr. **Tom Inglis** assumed the MAO presidency at the meeting, and we wish him great success this year.

The MAO was very well represented at the 103rd AAO Annual Session in the Hawaiian Islands this past May, with Dr. **Arnie Hill** serving as General Arrangements Chair. Serving as Doctors' Scientific Program Co-chairs were Drs. **Robert Isaacson** and **Steve Litton**. Dr. **John Kanyusik** served as a Co-chair of the Orthodontic Staff Program, and Drs. **Brent Larson** and **Terry Guenther** served as Co-chairs of the Doctors' and Staff roundtables, respectively. These individuals invested countless hours on our behalf, and we owe them our heartfelt thanks. In addition, there were many of our members who served as moderators for the scientific sessions. The meeting was a tremendous success, and all of those MAO members who participated in making it such a success are to be congratulated. In particular, the morning-only lecture format seemed to be very well received.

Of particular note and pride for Minnesota orthodontics, was having Dr. **Arnie Hill** receive the James E. Brophy Distinguished Service Award. All of us who know Arnie recognize his long record of commitment to orthodontics and his selfless contributions for so many years. We could not be prouder of you, Arnie! Coincidentally, Arnie also received the Roger J. Fredsall Distinguished Service Award from the Minnesota Association of Orthodontists in January at our Winter Meeting (for all the same reasons, but we just had to beat the AAO to it!).

The MAO will hold its Summer Meeting on September 5, 2003, at the Edinburgh USA Golf Club. The meeting will feature some local oral and maxillofacial surgeons discussing the ramifications of treatment planning for ankylosed teeth. The program chair for this meeting is Dr. **Al Montgomery**. An afternoon of relaxing golf is planned for all of us "low" handicappers in Minnesota!

Next year's winter meeting is planned for January 9, 2004, at the Minneapolis Marriott City Center and will feature Dr. **Michael Swartz** for both orthodontists and staff.

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Another item of note is the disbursement in May of approximately 18 scholarships of \$300.00 each to dental assisting students in the final stages of their state-wide training programs. These are all students who have shown interest and aptitude in orthodontics and have been among the top achievers scholastically in their classes.

The MAO is proud to announce that one of our members, Dr. **Bill Liljemark**, who is current chair of the orthodontic division has just been appointed interim dean of the dental school. Congratulations, Bill!

Our president, Dr. **Tom Inglis**, attended the graduation ceremony of the orthodontic residents at the University of Minnesota and briefly spoke about being involved with organized orthodontics. He also was at the dental school graduation and presented awards to Drs. **Ryan Arnold** and **Andrew Wahl** who have shown interest in orthodontics.

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Please mark your calendars as Missouri's fantastic leaders have put together a wonderful meeting featuring Dr. **David Sarver**, who will be speaking on "Esthetic Diagnosis" on April 16-17, 2004, at the Adam's Mark Hotel in St. Louis. It will be a full-day program on Friday and a morning session on Saturday. The course will provide 12 hours of continuing education credit. Information and registration forms will be forthcoming.

The Missouri Society of Orthodontists will be meeting at the combined MSO/SWSO/GLAO in New Orleans on Saturday, September 20, from 12:30-1:30pm. Check the program for the meeting location. Members may eat lunch in the trade show before the meeting.

Missouri has taken the lead in teaching our patients to "Stop the Pop." Missouri Dental Association members are uniting to reverse the epidemic of dental disease among today's youth – disease which can be caused by the over-consumption of soda. Call the Missouri Dental Association at 573/634-3436 for copies of the brochure.

Again, a reminder to have staff members certified and to have them take the expanded functions exam to comply with state laws for those duties which they perform.
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The Nebraska Society of Orthodontists held its annual meeting April 4, 2003, in Omaha. Dr. **Robert Boyd** presented the continuing education program.

We mourn the recent passing of two active Nebraska orthodontists. Dr. **Mark Dougherty**, 69, died March 3. He received his dental education from the University of Nebraska and his orthodontic degree in 1965 from Northwestern University. He practiced in Scottsbluff until his death. He leaves his wife, Delores, and six children.

Dr. **Herman W. Wilbrand**, 45, died April 12 of injuries received April 3 in an auto accident. The accident occurred in Omaha while he was there to attend the NSO annual meeting. He received his dental degree from the University of Nebraska and his orthodontic degree from the University of Washington in 1984. He practiced orthodontics in his hometown of Alliance for nineteen years and is survived his wife, Cathy, and six children. Their daughter, Joanne McConkey, recently completed her first year at the University of Nebraska College of Dentistry.

Dr. **Robert Schoettger**'s term as Director from Nebraska will end this fall in New Orleans. Dr. **Paula Harre** will be NSO's new director. Thank you, Bob, for your years of service to the NSO and the MSO.

Dr. **Jeff Nickel** is planning the next NSO annual meeting which will be held March 26, 2004, in Lincoln. The educational portion of the meeting is entitled, "Orthodontic and Craniofacial Anomalies." Dr. **Brad Schaeffer** will speak on "The Role of the Orthodontist in Diagnosis of Congenital Anomalies," and Dr. **Peter Spalding** will speak on "Orthodontic Mechanics for Management of Complicated Malocclusions." Registration information may be obtained by calling 402/472-2175.

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The North Dakota Society of Orthodontists met in Fargo on April 11. Presentations were given by Drs. **Brian**

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Jespersion on impacted cuspids, Dr. **Dennis Sommers** on using the long buccal tube appliance and advancing the anteriors in the mixed dentition and Dr. **Jim McCulley** on increasing vertical dimension in the early mixed dentition to correct an anterior crossbite.

A reception was held that evening for Dr. **Jim Gjerset**, honoring him as AAO president. The next day, Dr. **Vince Kokich** spoke to the general dentists in North Dakota on ortho-restorative procedures. In the afternoon, he discussed cuspid impactions. The meeting was very well received.

All members attending the meeting in Hawaii reported that they and their staffs had an outstanding time. Special thanks to Drs. **Arnie Hill** and **Steve Litton** and all of the Midwestern Society members who helped make the annual session so successful.

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South Dakota

Jack L. Wilson, President
John G. Kharouf, Vice President
Ross L. Crist, Secretary/Treasurer

The SDSO would like to congratulate the following members for their recent accomplishments:

- Dr. **Robert Arnold**, Watertown, was inducted as President of the South Dakota Dental Association at its annual meeting in May.
- Dr. **John Kharouf**, Rapid City, has achieved Diplomat status, passing Phase III of the ABO certification in May.
- Dr. **Patricia Hawkins-Leonard**, Sioux Falls, gave birth to a beautiful baby girl named Grace in January!
- Dr. **Kevin Horner**, Sioux Falls, has been appointed MSO's representative to the AAO Council on Communications.
- Dr. **Ross Crist**, Sioux Falls, will be the South Dakota representative to the MSO Board of Directors, replacing Dr. Horner, as of this fall.
- Dr. **Craig Cooksley**, Sioux Falls, has announced his retirement effective May 31. Dr. **Scott Gibson** has taken over for Dr. Cooksley.

The next meeting of the SDSO has not been scheduled as yet. Any members who have questions or additional information for upcoming newsletters may contact me.

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Wisconsin

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Thomas C. Lovlien, Secretary/Treasurer

The WSO held its spring conference in Milwaukee in March. Our then-president, Dr. **Mark Lenz**, convened the meeting with words of support for our troops in Iraq, noting that several of our members have employees or their loved ones serving our country. Our featured speaker, Ms. **Joan Lloyd**, CSP, gave an excellent presentation detailing the best methods of employee management – interviewing, hiring and retaining the best. On the next day, Dr. **Scott Arbit** moderated a members-led lecture roundtable with Drs. **Russ Kittleson**, **Randall Moles** and **John Pinczak**. All offered their insights on clinical practice, the future vision of orthodontics and peer review.

Our fall meeting will be held in Elkhart Lake at the Osthoff Resort on October 13-14. The featured speaker, Dr. **John Casko**, will present, "Differential Diagnosis and Treatment of the Borderline Skeletal Adult Patient."

Finally, the WSO would like to congratulate the 2003 graduates of Marquette University's Graduate Orthodontic Program: Drs. **Alexis David**, **Jorge Parajon**, **Grace Richardson**, **Mark Hanson** and **Benjamin Larabee**.

I wish all of our members and their families a wonderful summer.

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closing of the department was announced. He delivered the final commencement speech in 2001.

Dr. Perry sees students as an inspiration, their curiosity driving him to learn more. Among his many awards and honors, most notable are that he was selected by the Northwestern University Dental School alumni as one of the 20 most outstanding faculty members in the 100-year history of the school, and he was honored in 1992 as the Northwestern Dental Alumnus of the Year. The Illinois Society of Orthodontists presented him with its Outstanding Teachers Award in 1999. In addition, he is a fellow of the American College of Dentists and the International College of Dentists. He presently is a visiting professor at Marquette University as well as other schools upon invitation.

Congratulations to these two fine gentlemen for their most important efforts to further our profession. They are truly fine examples for all of us to emulate.

Graduate School Reports

Marquette University

Congratulations to our graduating second-year residents – Drs. **Benjamin Larrabee**, **Mark Hanson**, **Jorge Parajon**, **Alexis David** and **Grace Richardson**. Dr. Larrabee is going into practice in Chicago, Dr. Hanson in Green Bay, and Dr. David is returning to Canada. Dr. Parajon is joining a group practice in Florida, and Dr. Richardson is staying in Milwaukee after successfully completing her board examinations. She is getting married in June and so it will be a double celebration for her!

At the graduation dinner on May 22 at the Pfister Hotel, Dr. **William Schuckit** was given an award for his outstanding service and contributions to our profession both as an instructor and for his continuing service to the WSO and MSO. In addition, Ms. **Ann Janikowski**, our participating faculty and lab technician, was honored for her service to the education of our residents. For 11 years Ann has been a significant and important part of our program.

On June 4 we welcomed our new first-year residents. Drs. **Michael Melugin**, **Doug Barden** and **Jacob Daub** are natives of the Milwaukee area and are graduates of the dental program here at Marquette. Dr. Melugin is a Board Certified Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon and a Program Director at the Medical College of Wisconsin. Dr. **Nicholas Ferri** graduated from Michigan, and Dr. **Jacob Jarvis** comes from Connecticut. We look forward to this new group of friends adding much to our program.

In July we are hosting Drs. **Shiva Shanker** and **Guillermo Chacon** for a seminar on orthognathic surgery and orthodontic preparation. In August Dr. **Gerald Sampson** is giving a day-long seminar on biomechanics. Dr. **Eustaquio Araujo** also is giving a half-day seminar to the residents. The residents are looking forward to the upcoming GORP meeting in Boston. This promises to be an exciting event with a host of excellent speakers.

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Mayo Clinic

We have had a mild winter and a busy several months since our last report. One of the great program legends, Mr. **Ralph Frank**, retired early in January. Mr. Frank was the laboratory technician for 40 years. He was also a cornerstone for every Mayo Clinic resident's preclinical training and he will be greatly missed, but we wish him well. Drs. **Brent Larson** and **Terry Guenther** spearheaded a retirement remembrance for him.

Faculty and residents enjoyed the MAO's meeting in January. The program, with Mr. **Richard Collier**, was great. We heard that Dr. **Joe Rebellato** helped entertain (a la Bjorn Zachrisson) the staff speaker, Ms. **Joan Garbo**, during her presentation. We are grateful for the financial support the MAO provided to the residents.

Drs. **Maryam Saiar** and **Anne Angle** attended weekend seminars in Nashville and Tampa which focused on practice management. Congratulations to Division Chair Dr. **Rose Sheats** who successfully completed her ABO certification. The Program is proud of all of her efforts.

All three residents presented cases for the CDABO display at the Annual Session in Hawaii. Drs. Rebellato and **Fred Regennitter** were moderators. Dr. Rebellato also presented his recent research during the poster presentations. The annual Mayo Alumni Dinner was held Saturday night with about 40 people. We thank Dr. **Arnie Hill** for arranging this. It was great to see everyone and a special thanks to those alumni who paid for the residents' dinners.

Mayo Clinic faculty and residents have completed a number of scholarly publications and presentations.

Dr. **Fazila Durkin** will join the program on July 1. She is a 2003 graduate of the University of California at San Francisco. Her arrival is eagerly anticipated by the current junior resident and we know she will love Minnesota winters and winter sports!

That wraps up the Mayo Clinic Program summer report. We hope to see many of you at the combined MSO/GLAO/SWSO Annual Session in New Orleans.

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Saint Louis University

The Center for Advanced Dental Education (CADE), Department of Orthodontics is pleased to announce that Dr. **Rolf "Buzz" Behrents** has accepted the dual position of Director for the Center and Program Director, Department of Orthodontics. Buzz received his orthodontic training at Case Western Reserve and his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan. He served as department chair at the University of Tennessee and Baylor College of Dentistry. He is replacing Dr. **Eustaquio Araujo**, who, while remaining on the faculty, is also serving as president of PUCMinas University in Belo Horizonte, Brazil.

We are looking forward to the arrival of fourteen new residents on July 2, which will swell the thirty-month program to forty-three residents.

CADE and the University wish to thank the many
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alumni and friends of the department for their spectacular support. The support of orthodontic manufacturing and supply companies are too often taken for granted and we again wish to recognize their contribution.

Orthodontic programs are grateful for the efforts of guest lecturers. This spring lectures have been provided by Drs. **Larry** and **Will Anderson**, **Kevin Horner**, **Leon Aronson**, **Charles Burstone**, **Jerry Clark** and **Tako Araujo**.

Special mention should be made of the many contributions to SLU and to orthodontics by Dr. **Peter Sotiropoulos**, who retired in May after fifty-two years of service. Thank you so very much!

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University of Illinois – Chicago

The first World Symposium on Orthodontics, to be held August 1-2 at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel and Marina, is being co-sponsored by the *World Journal of Orthodontics*, UIC and Quintessence Publishing. The speaker list includes Drs. **William J. Clark**, **Jason B. Cope**, **Arthur A. Dugoni**, **Robert J. Isaacson**, **Richard P. McLaughlin**, **Thomas F. Mulligan**, **W. Eugene Roberts**, **Anoop Sondhi**, **Larry White** and **Donald G. Woodside**. Dr. **Jack Dale** will receive the Excellence in Orthodontics Award from the *World Journal of Orthodontics*. The program chairs are Drs. **T. M. Graber** and **Carla Evans**.

Our new residents are Drs. **Rasha Al-Sanea** (Saudi Arabia), **Zuhair Bakhsh** (Saudi Arabia), **Meenakshi Balakrishnan** (University of Pennsylvania), **Laura Balducci** (Italy), **Susan Erdman-Spain** (UIC), **Reed Mockaitis** (University of North Carolina), **James Nudera** (UIC), **Greg Schardt** (UIC) and **Michael Thomas** (UIC).

Faculty members Drs. **Jeremy Mao** and **Thomas Diekwisch** received new research grants from NIH and the National Science Foundation. The Department now has well over 100 employees, graduate students and residents. With the new grants the department will grow again.

Fundraising for a new forty-chair clinic is continuing. The state of Illinois has a major shortage of orthodontic graduates at the present time, but recent budget cuts and rescissions mean that state funds are not available to help in this effort. The Department of Orthodontics greatly appreciates the interest of the alumni in providing a high quality orthodontic education for future graduates.

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University of Iowa

Congratulations to Drs. **Chris Carlson**, **Jesse Gray**, **Richard Hesby**, **Ted Moore** and **Darren Wittenberger** for completing their orthodontic education and receiving their Master's degrees this June! Congratulations also to Drs. **David Cummins**, **John Di Giovanni** and **John Kharouf** who were certified as Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics.

After a great team effort, we are now online with a digital record 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, July 27-30, 2003. Next year will mark the 25th anniversary of the Iowa Winter Orthodontic Seminar on Surgical Orthodontics, which will be held January 31-February 7 at the Lion Square Lodge in Vail, Colorado. Further information on the course may be obtained by contacting Linda Keller at linda-keller@uiowa.edu.

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University of Manitoba

It has been a very busy six months for our program. Our Faculty of Graduate Studies accreditation review process was completed in February and, by all accounts, the review was positive.

Dr. **Nick Karaiskos** has been awarded the prestigious IADR Travel Award in Prevention and will be presenting his research at the IADR in Gothenburg, Sweden, for his work on the status of malocclusion amongst Winnipeg's underserved children. Dr. **Milos Lekic** has won the Colgate Travel Award and presented his research on frontal sinus pneumatization in Jasper, Alberta, at the CDA Congress. Congratulations!

Recent presentations were by Dr. **Billy Wiltshire** in the Dominican Republic and at the AAO meeting in Hawaii. Dr. **Kelly Brooke** presented a poster in Hawaii, and our program also submitted three cases for the CDABO case displays by the current third-year residents, Drs. **Kelly Brooke**, **John McManaman** and **Hanadi Nusair**.

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Our alumni function in Hawaii was a great success with alumni attending from as far afield as Australia! With four of our support staff also attending the reception, it was a time to renew old friendships and share fond memories with alumni from far and wide. We were pleased to have Dean **Johann de Vries** making the trip especially to be present and welcome our alumni. The support of Dean de Vries for the orthodontic program over the past five years has been very much appreciated.

Graduate Orthodontics is actively involved in the University of Manitoba's "Building on Strengths" Campaign. As part of this campaign, Graduate Orthodontics has its own campaign and is currently canvassing some of our alumni urging them to get involved in the campaign by donating and calling on their classmates. It is hoped that with the funds raised, the graduate orthodontic clinic can be enhanced with state-of-the-art equipment.

We extend a very warm welcome to Dr. **Hisham Badawi** who joins us as an Assistant Professor with the major responsibility of undergraduate teaching. His Master's degree in orthodontics is from London University.

Congratulations to second-year resident Dr. **Dan Stuart** for his recent publication on rapid palatal expansion in young adults in the June issue of the *Canadian Dental Journal*.

The external examiner for our second-year residents this year is Dr. **Samir Bishara** who is visiting us in mid-June and also will be presenting a CE lecture on autotransplantation of teeth. Other speakers who have visited our program so far this year have been Dr. **Bill Proffit** who lectured on orthognathic surgery; Dr. **Jack Dale** who lectured on serial extraction; and Dr. **Charles Baker** who spoke on radiology for the orthodontist.

All three of our third-year residents will be completing their 35-month minimum degree course during the next few months. We wish all three of them well and Bon Voyage!

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University of Minnesota

All of our residents attended the recent AAO Annual Session in Hawaii, 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.

The search for a new division director continues. Congratulations to Dr. **William Liljemark**, who has accepted the Interim Dean position for the School of

Dentistry effective June 2, 2003. He will be dividing his time between the Division of Orthodontics and his new appointment as Dean until a new division director is hired.

Part-time faculty Dr. **David Resch**, was welcomed as a new member to Omicron Kappa Upsilon in March. Dr. **Angela Wandera** will be leaving this month after serving for a year and we are sorry to lose her. She is leaving to pursue her expanding private practice.

Our second-year residents were busy this spring completing their research and writing their Master's theses in preparation for their June 12 graduation. Drs. **Brian DeVoe**, **James Miller** and **Travis Wille** will all be practicing in Minnesota. Dr. **Nathan Halstead** is buying a practice in Oregon, and Dr. **Jeremy Johnson** is looking at a practice in Illinois. Dr. **Suzan Ekim** begins her full-time faculty position in our Division as Clinical Assistant Professor.

Our residents beginning their second year with us are starting work on their research projects. Dr. **Emily O'Keiff** will be investigating comparative friction of fixed orthodontic appliances after long-term intraoral usage. Dr. **Andrew Helmich** will study prediction accuracy of a computer-based visual treatment objective (VTO) system. Dr. **Tiffany Miller** is studying the effect of preemptive and/or postoperative ibuprofen or acetaminophen therapy for orthodontic discomfort. Dr. **Julian Davila** is investigating the role of cytokines and neuropeptides in orthodontic tooth movement using an animal model. Dr. **Scott Harper** is writing an article on the detection of B-amyloid in the plasma and saliva of subjects with Alzheimer's disease.

The new class for 2003 begins on June 30. Two residents are recent graduates from the University of Minnesota – Drs. **Sarah M. Soltys** and **Andrew J. Wahl**. Dr. **Nancy Luong** is coming from the University of Southern California; Dr. **Jeremy Karras** is a 2003 graduate of the University of Iowa; and Dr. **Ryan West** graduated from the University of Washington in Seattle. Dr. **Brandon LeBourdais** joins us from Michigan where he graduated in



Alumni (l to r) **Pete Kuipers**, **Mylon Morris**, **Ed Monahan** and **Tom Molin**.

1999 from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, then completed an AEGD residency with the U.S. Navy in Okinawa, Japan. A warm welcome to the members of our new class.

Our 10th Annual Reunion of the University of Minnesota

Orthodontic Alumni Association was a resounding success. With over 120 attendees, we celebrated the event at the

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Hilton Hawaiian Village. We were honored by the presence of Dr. **Jim Gjerset** as he finished his term as AAO's president and Dr. **Arnie Hill**, recipient of the James E. Brophy Distinguished Service Award. Congratulations to these two outstanding alumni.

Also, dozens of alumni participated in this most exciting meeting of the AAO in Hawaii both as members of the Annual Session Planning Committee and as moderators.

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The members of the faculty congratulate all four second-year residents for passing the Phase II Board Examination. The level of tension decreased considerably following notification of the results! All four residents are leaving the Kansas City area and heading to Denver, St. Louis, North Dakota or to Naples, Italy after graduation.

UMKC's Orthodontic Department will welcome four new residents in July. Dr. **John Roth** is from UMKC; Dr. **Suzanne Bird** graduated from the University of North Carolina and received a Master's degree from The Ohio State University; Dr. **Mike Ellis** graduated from Medical College of Virginia; and Dr. **Lindsay Resmer** graduated from Indiana University.

This spring the residents attended seminars by Drs. **James McNamara**, **Jerry Clark** and **Norm Cetlin**. The first-year residents enjoyed the Tweed Course in Tucson.

Drs. **Katherine Kula** and **Travis Nash** published a paper entitled, "Shear-peel Bond Strength of Orthodontic Primers in Wet Conditions" in *Orthodontics Craniofacial Research*. Drs. **Katherine** and **Ted Kula** presented a table clinic on "Introduction of Orthodontic Materials Using Interactive Multimedia Computer Programs" at the AAO meeting in Hawaii. They also presented an oral research paper with their co-author, Dr. **John Roth**, on "Effect of Computerized Telephone Reminders on Appointment Attendance in a University Clinic." Drs. **Mark Gregston** and the Kulas also had a table clinic in Hawaii entitled, "Comparison of Multiple Methods of Analyzing Conventional and Digital Radiographs."

Drs. **Don Thompson** and **Dan Blackwell** have set in motion the plans for the new clinic, which is projected to start in May 2004.

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Drs. **Amin Ghandi**, **Mark Leiker** and **Leigh VonWald** will graduate on June 30. Dr. Ghandi's thesis is entitled, "The Effect of Nicotine on MCP-1 mRNA Expression in Periodontal Ligament Cells," and he plans to join a practice in the Dallas, Texas area. Dr. Leiker's thesis is entitled, "Anisotropic Tensile Fatigue Properties of the Porcine IVD," and he plans to begin his private practice in Great Bend, Kansas. The title of Dr. VonWald's thesis is "Influence of Genotype on Interleukin 1 Receptor Antagonist in Gingival Crevicular Fluid," and she will join a private practice in Denver. All three of these graduating students presented case displays at the AAO Annual Session in Hawaii in May.

Dr. **Peter Spalding** recently reviewed an orthodontic textbook and is currently writing a chapter in a textbook to be published within the year. In addition to serving on the Executive Council of the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association, he has been elected to serve as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Orthodontic Section of the American Dental Education Association. He also was chosen to participate in the ADEA Leadership Institute Program earlier this year and will be involved in that program through 2004.

In March Drs. **Laura Iwasaki** and **Jeff Nickel** presented their research at the AADR Annual Session in San Antonio. They spent the month of April on their collaborative research in Buffalo, New York. Both faculty members also will be presenting their research at the IADR Annual Meeting in Gotenburg, Sweden, this June and were invited to present at the 4th International Conference on Biological Mechanisms of Tooth Movement and Craniofacial Adaptation, sponsored by the Harvard Society for the Advancement of Orthodontics in New York City in August.

Within the past six months, Drs. Iwasaki and Nickel have authored a number of articles published by the *AJO/DO*, the *Journal of Dental Research*, *Tissue Engineering*, and the *Journal of Orofacial Pain*. Their research regarding TMJ loads and muscle forces is receiving international recognition.

Nebraska orthodontic alumni who recently became ABO Provisionally Certified Candidates include Drs. **Mark Mendlik** and **Kurt Stormberg**.

Our new residents, Drs. **Warren Johnson** from Baylor, **Mathew Moss** from Creighton University and **Marc Welge** from the University of Iowa, will join our program on July 1.

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September 18-21, 2003

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Friday Doctor's Programs:

"Interdisciplinary Guidelines for Managing the Debilitated Adult Dentition" by *Vincent G. Kokich, DDS, MSD* (3 CEUs)

"Facial Esthetics, Orthodontics, and Orthognathic Surgery" by *William Arnett, DDS* (3 CEUs)

Friday Staff Program:

"Braces and Beyond" and "Nordstromize your Ortho Practice" by *Rosemary Bray* (5 CEUs)

Optional Tour: Lunch at The Cabin Restaurant, an original slave cabin, and Plantation Tour including both the Oak Alley and Laura Plantations

Saturday Programs:

"The Aging Face" by *David M. Sarver, DMD, MS*

"The Contemporary Orthodontic Practice: Juggling Management of Your Practice and All That New Technology and Still Treating Patients" by *David M. Sarver, DMD, MS*

Optional Tour: A Taste of New Orleans, tour of the New Orleans School of Cooking (separate morning and afternoon tours)

Don't miss the **Saturday Parade and Riverboat Party**, 5:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m.: a chance to let your hair down and "Laissez les Bon Temps Rouler," — or, as they say in N'awlins . . . *"let the good times roll!"*

Sunday Program:

"Orthodontic Growth and Success in the 21st Century" by *Roger P. Levin, DDS, MBA*

Call the New Orleans Marriott at 1-888-364-1200 or 1-800-228-9290 for lodging and request a guest room in the GLAO/MSO/SWSO block.

Registration materials will be mailed late June.

Our thanks to the following sponsors: 3M/Unitek; GAC International, Inc.; Ormco Sybron Dental Specialists; Class One Orthodontics Zulauf Inc.; Texas Association of Orthodontists; Joe D. Peak Memorial Trust of the San Antonio Area Foundation.

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and more members are taking advantage of the insurance programs offered through the AAO. The number of participants has grown again this year, including in the business office protection plans, the medical insurance plans and the liability product sold through the AAO Insurance Company. This is the time of year many of us pay our annual premiums. If you are not insured with the AAO now, take a look at the options available to you before you sign up for another year with somebody else (800/622-0344 for the AAO Group Insurance Office or link through the Web).

The AAO has been looking for a company to develop and market the AAO logo items (shirts, hats, statues, pins, etc.). After careful review of a number of options, we selected the Russell Hampton Co. to market our logo emblematic items to our membership with a minimal royalty to AAO. While not a large non-dues revenue source, this new business liaison should serve our membership well. I encourage you to look at the items available when the catalog is circulated.

The AAO BOT has spent a very significant portion of the past year on the issues concerning dental education, new orthodontic residency programs, curriculum content, student selection and the sanctity of the educational process. As you know from a *Straight Off The Wire* communication (e-mailed to all members with an AAO listed e-mail address on February 14, 2003, and available on the AAO Web site), the AAO has registered its concern to the ADA Commission on Dental Accreditation regarding a new proposed program at Jacksonville University. The AAO BOT also has raised concerns regarding the integration of a special scholarship program under the auspices of a private company, the Orthodontic Education Company (OEC). The BOT made plans to further input the accreditation system to help ensure that any orthodontic specialty education program is designed in the best interests of the public and the prospective students in the program. The efforts have been coordinated and broad in scope at a number of levels including actions within the individual states and at the federal government and regulatory agency level, the Department of Education.

During the BOT's discussions, it was noted that the concerns for the Jacksonville program and a new one at the University of Colorado are really "dental education" concerns and not solely limited to orthodontics. Thus, it was heartening to hear that the ADA Board of Trustees also has registered concerns with the Commission. It is at times like these that our liaisons with the ADA are most important. Suffice it to say that the BOT has been VERY involved over the past 12 months on this issue and looks to the

MSO Business Meeting

Plan to attend MSO's Annual Business Meeting, Saturday, September 20, at 8:00 a.m. in New Orleans. The optional breakfast at 7:00 a.m. is directly prior to the business meeting (cost is \$10 per person). You do not have to attend the breakfast in order to attend the business meeting. The business meeting is open to all members at no charge but only current active members may vote.

The business meeting agenda and supplemental information, including active member applicants, 2003 financial information year-to-date, proposed 2004 budget, Nomination and Research Committee report, proposed bylaws changes and previous meeting minutes, will be posted on the MSO Web site at <http://www.msortho.org> or can be requested from the MSO in August by e-mailing orthosociety@charter.net or calling 636/928-3700.

The Board of Directors will be proposing a bylaws change in order to provide more flexibility in maintaining consistency with the MSO communications chair position by providing for an unlimited term for the Chair of the Committee on Communications.

The MSO Nomination and Research Committee will be presenting at the meeting for election the following slate of nominees for 2003-2004 MSO officers:

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resolution of its concerns as critical to quality dental health care for the public.

This column can only hit a few high points, and thus I would refer you to the *AAO 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 with your input. Also feel free to contact me with questions, concerns and/or suggestions so I can better represent you on the AAO BOT.

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

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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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Dr. Roger Levin

Ms. Rosemary Bray

Plus special events and social activities.

Registration materials will be mailed this summer.

See page 22, 23 and the Web site for more information.

New MSO Web site address

The URL for the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists Web site has changed to:

www.msortho.org

or you can access the site from the AAO Web site,

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