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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Dr. Martin Land*



As I write, word just reached me that Lloyd Miller, our 1982 Academy president, has passed away. Who doesn't remember

Lloyd, whether presenting or debating, expressing his positions with conviction and authority, while always conducting himself as the consummate professional. Earlier, we lost Ernie Nuttall, who served as our president in 1963. My thoughts are with their families while fondly remembering the tremendous inspiration they have been to us. It makes me reflect on so many within the Academy whom we have had the privilege to know, and from whom we have learned. All freely sharing their expertise, helping others grow, being willing to challenge 'established truths', while striving for the best possible quality of patient care. That is the essence of our Academy.

My personal dental training started at the dinner table at home where more was taught than I can possibly share. I received a solid clinical foundation at the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands, and then pursued my graduate training at Indiana University. Our program director, Roland Dykema, made no bones about it when he decreed that all graduate students were expected

to attend the "American Academy of Crown & Bridge Prosthodontics" meeting. So we did. That was in 1976. I haven't missed a single meeting since. During the subsequent years, I have been privileged to learn from the very best in our field, and have witnessed many changes and incredible growth. As fixed prosthodontics continues to face new challenges, further change is inevitable. As the leading organization representing the discipline, we have a shared responsibility to help shape the future in positive and lasting ways.

Prosthodontic needs continue to increase as the US 65+ population is anticipated to rise from 12.4% in 2000 to 16% by 2020. Concurrently, the number of practitioners per capita is expected to drop. Gender distribution in undergraduate enrollment has changed dramatically. In 1980 approximately one in six students was female, whereas among the 'millennials' enrolled today (70% of all dental students) the division is approximately a 50/50 split between males and females. Although the precise impact on the workforce is unknown, it seems reasonable to anticipate that this will further accentuate the imbalance between increased demand and dental provider availability.

The good news is that postgraduate prosthodontics enrollment continues to be on the rise. New programs are opening and existing enrollment is expanding. This growth is also evident in the significant number of candidates who challenged the prosthodontic boards this November.

In October, John Agar and I represented the Academy at the Prosthodontic Forum meeting where laboratory technology education was discussed at some length. Today, only 20 accredited educational programs in dental technology remain. Shortages of highly trained technicians have been apparent for some time, and the NADL reports that almost 30% of fixed prostheses are now fabricated outside the United States. The Forum adopted a resolution supporting the necessity of mandatory standards for dental technicians, including the need for formal institutional educational programs and mandatory certification. The Forum is communicating its concerns about the crises in dental laboratory education to the American Dental Association and CODA.

As the leading voice for fixed prosthodontics we must address these and other issues. We need to support and enhance dental technology education, nationally and globally. Our membership embodies the necessary expertise, but we have to define pathways to share our specialized knowledge with those who seek to become better informed and improve their skills.

In undergraduate dental education we must also assume a more active role. De-emphasis of many of the technical aspects of fixed prosthodontics in the undergraduate dental curriculum is resulting in graduates who are less prepared and more dependent on the expertise of skilled technicians, yet the latter are in short supply. We can

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contribute by helping define minimal educational expectations in fixed prosthodontics, and we must encourage active involvement of undergraduate dental faculty and discipline specialty organizations like the AAFP as an integral component of the curricular review process to ensure excellence.

The scientific sessions of the Academy are of exceptional quality and in high demand, and this year is certainly no exception! Simultaneously, we continue to support research in fixed prosthodontics. Since the inception of the Tylman research program, the resulting publication rate in the Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry is over 70% of the funded projects.

This February we welcome postgraduate students by waiving all attendance fees for residents in accredited U.S. prosthodontics programs. This would not be possible without the generous corporate support that Kent Knoernschild has again been able to obtain. As additional support becomes available we plan to do even more.

Given the increasing demand for fixed prosthodontics services, it is reasonable to anticipate some growth of the Academy itself. An increase of our active membership by approximately 15-20% may well prove realistic and attainable.

Such will strengthen our base, while maintaining approximately the same ratio of active to life-members as a gradually increasing number of our current members become eligible for life-membership. But in order to effect such growth, you, the membership, have to help the credentials committee identify those who have distinguished themselves and are truly deserving of the recognition that Academy membership bestows. If you know of such colleagues please invite them to our meeting as a guest. By doing so you are ensuring the continued vitality of your Academy.

Ricardo Schwedhelm and Jerry Andres have put together a phenomenal lineup of speakers for the February meeting, as you can see elsewhere in this Newsletter. Denny Smith and Rick Jordan have worked tirelessly to address more challenges than they ever bargained for when they agreed to serve. Jane Brewer has done an outstanding job providing both with oversight and assistance, while the Executive group has maintained close communication throughout. Denny Weir presented an outstanding comprehensive five year summary of future planning recommendations to the Board in August, and it is now time to move forward on some of these recommendations. John Agar and Kent Knoernschild have almost completed their AAFP activities calendar, in which they identify and summarize all annually recurring tasks for the officers and committees. Peter Lund, who last year so graciously returned to “active duty” to help support website operations, has indicated his desire to focus on his new role at the University of Iowa after the 2008 February meeting. I thank Peter most sincerely for all of his effort and hard work during a time of significant turmoil. I envision a changed role for the Information Technology committee and plan to task the committee to focus on timely and ongoing procurement of website content as the site expands and grows. I will be asking Board approval to contract professional support for the technical management aspects of the website, which will streamline and enhance its functionality. I have also asked Steve Nelson to set the stage for expansion of Newsletter content. Steve will be handing over the reins in the coming year, and I thank him for all of his efforts as Newsletter editor.

Much has been accomplished since last

February, yet so much more remains to be done. As I anticipate the coming years, I further envision a more active role for our Academy internationally. Last February, Denny Smith called that “his little dream”. The Board has discussed the possibility of developing an additional scientific program in an international location as a means of sharing our expertise on a more global basis. Developing such a program will take some time but after some reflection, your officers believe that it is feasible while giving the Academy a higher degree of international visibility and growth. Realizing “Denny’s dream” may well be facilitated by representation of the international membership on the Board of Directors.

I thank you most sincerely for the privilege of allowing me to serve as your president. It has been a most fulfilling time, admittedly an incredibly busy year, and one that has been filled with many unanticipated challenges. I assure you that your officers and directors take your concerns most seriously, and will make every effort to respond to *your* needs. After all, this is your Academy.

See you in Chicago!  
Martin F. Land  
President



**Notes from the Interim  
Secretary  
Denny M. Smith**

The most eagerly sought news from the office of the Secretary is **the well-being of our Secretary emeritus, Bob Staffanou**. I have been privileged to communicate frequently with Ruth and Bob, thus having access to ongoing reports of their lives and of Bob's health. This report is current to 12 November 2007.

Bob's sanguine nature and cheerful spirit have not masked the fact that, for some months, his health did not improve. Chronic, intense pain and undesirable side-effects of his medications continued to haunt Bob. A change in medication, while not providing full relief, granted Bob diminished pain and left him essentially free of untoward side-effects.

Bob has now entered the care of a chronic pain specialist. He is scheduled to have an electrode implanted on November 27th. The implanted electrode will provide an electrical stimulus to block pain transmission through the spinal cord. It is hoped that Bob will then be able to stand and to walk without pain.

With no surprise you will receive the news that no aspect of this malady has diminished the brightness of Bob's or Ruth's spirits, the gentleness with which they receive and share social contacts, and the generosity Bob grants Academy leaders as the richest source of memory in our organization. He and I made a pact that I'll hope and pray, and he will try to get better, so that we can sit together in the Members Kiosk at the 2008 annual meeting. He would like to be there and I'm sure almost all of you will wish to see him.

In the last *Newsletter* I committed to provide *an accounting of the transfer of the office of the Academy Secretary* from California to Winnipeg. The transfer of the principal contents of Bob's office involved travel to Bodega Bay for me to gain familiarity with the office contents and office procedures. In addition, the suddenness with which I assumed the interim Secretary's role demanded a change in my airline ticket to Chicago for the 2007 meeting.

The establishment of my office involved the purchase of a computer, a printer, publishing software and a few sundries. The total cost of the office transfer was \$4883, plus the cost of shipping the contents of Bob's office to Winnipeg (a figure I have not been successful in acquiring to date). I will happily provide a full accounting of the costs for any member who wishes to review the details. The *Oversight Committee* continues to monitor the activities of this office.

My work continues to include a large component of ad interim work involving website issues, communication issues and committee functions. This situation is the result of the dramatic change in leadership over the past two years, in combination with the transition to the Academy website. The hope is that, as we learn our jobs and as the website becomes more refined, the functions of this office will involve a significantly greater portion of pro forma work, thus reducing the workload and permitting the necessary and joyous ad libitum labor that naturally attends the central office of any organization. I continue to consider myself to be privileged to share in this work. I am deeply grateful to Jane Brewer for her insights, her support and her patience with me as I have sought to learn the tasks attendant to the office of Secretary. As well, I am thankful for the continuing guidance of Bob Staffanou.

The Board of Directors has directed me to arrange the printing of **an Academy membership roster for sale**, at cost, to members. As in the past, in respect to member privacy, the roster will be available to members only. The plan is to have the directory available for purchase at the member kiosk during the 2008 meeting. The cost of a roster has not yet been determined.

The *winter meeting of the Board of Directors* has been scheduled for the Marriott, 21 and 24 February 2008. Please contact President Martin Land or this office if you wish to suggest an agenda topic for the meeting; and please communicate with any officer or director to grant the Board the benefit of your wisdom in regard to issues of importance to the Academy.

### **Membership Sponsors**

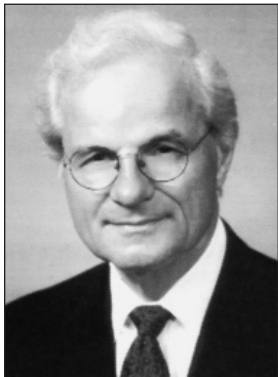
Only a few applications for Academy membership have been received. Please act to sponsors worthy candidates for membership so that we will have another excellent class of new members in 2008 as we had 2007. Sponsors carry the responsibility of ensuring complete applications for membership and ensuring their arrival in this office by January 1, 2008. Please direct all correspondence regarding membership, and please send applications fees, to the office of the Academy Secretary.



**2007 Annual Scientific Meeting**

## In Memoriam

### Dr. Lloyd L. Miller



There are times in life when a whole community will mourn the loss of someone truly dear to them. Over the years our Academy has lost many

great and loved persons, some past presidents, mentors, leaders and awardees. Now we have lost Dr. Lloyd L. Miller Jr. who died on November 11, 2007 at his home in Union, Maine. Dr. Miller was born in Rockland, Maine on May 9, 1930 and was raised in Thomaston by his great aunt, her daughter and son-in-law. He graduated from Thomaston High School in 1948 and Tufts College in 1954.

After graduating magna cum laude from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in 1958, Dr. Miller established a dental practice in Weston, Massachusetts which to this day is known for its excellence in prosthodontics and patient care. He joined the Tufts faculty on graduation and in 1964 was named a professor in the graduate department of prosthodontics, a position he held until his death. His many students and fellow faculty members rejoiced in his supreme clinical talents, academic curiosity, inspiring lectures, close conversations and unforgettably, him installing them into his own private club, the International Fellowship of Bullet Biters with his personal presentation of a hand made golden bullet at graduation in full cowboy regalia and music.

As a world recognized lecturer, Dr Miller's presentations emphasized

many different concerns in prosthodontics including ceramics, color, occlusion and esthetics. He was known for his common-sense dentistry, humor, and a strong ethical message. An early interest in laboratory procedures led Dr. Miller to create a world class private, in-house dental lab, which specialized in ceramic restorations along with research in color and restorative laboratory techniques. He not only helped produce many fine prosthodontists, Lloyd was a champion for the dental laboratory industry and trained and inspired many world class technologists.

Dr. Miller was a member of the Tufts University School of Dental Medicine Board of Overseers and served as president of the American Academy of Crown and Bridge Prosthodontics, American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry, Academy of Dental Science and the Northeast Prosthodontic Society. He was a member in the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics, American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry, Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics, American Academy of Restorative Dentistry, American Prosthodontic Society, American Equilibration Society, Northeast Prosthodontic Society and American Academy of Dental Science.

In 1996 Tufts honored Dr. Miller by dedicating the new Postgraduate Prosthodontics Clinic in his name. In addition he personally funded a scholarship endowment for Tufts students in Graduate Prosthodontics.

Among the many honors received by Dr. Miller, he was proud to receive our Academy's George Moulton Award for Outstanding Achievement, the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics' Distinguished Lecturer and its Lifetime Achievement Awards and from the American College of Prosthodontists, the Distinguished Lecturer Award. The American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry awarded him the Charles

Pincus Award which they have presented to only five individuals. In 1999 he received the Distinguished Service Award from Tufts University and in September 2007 he received the Dean's Medal from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in recognition of his outstanding leadership and dedication to the dental school and the profession of dentistry.

Dr. Miller enjoyed collecting western art and skiing in the Rockies. He recently retired to live with his wife Ann on his farm in Union where he raised bees, heirloom apples and nut trees. A big game hunter his whole life, he had a handsome trophy collection in his old dairy barn. The barn also houses his gallery of wildlife and American western paintings, prints, sculptures and saddlery.

He is survived by his wife Ann, his four children and three grandchildren. A celebration of Dr. Miller's dental career and his love for Tufts will occur in March 2008 at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine at a date and time to be determined.

Nothing would be enough to recognize and commemorate the accomplishments and devotion that Lloyd Miller had for Tufts, Dentistry, Prosthodontics, his students and dear colleagues. Lloyd was a teacher's teacher, a Doctor's Doctor, a friend's friend and just a great cowboy. The profession and society is better for the life he shared with us. A life's accomplishments can best be valued by what one gives back to society. Lloyd, you could not have given us more and your legacy is profound. We could not be more proud of you and one can only hope that you would remain always proud of us.

Kenneth Malament  
Harold Litvak

## In Memoriam

### Dr. Ernie Nuttall



Dr. Ernie Nuttall, the eleventh President of the Academy (1963), passed away on July 09, 2007 at the age of 99. Many of us remember Dr.

Nuttall as a witty man whose delightful personality provided a marvelous façade for his great store of wisdom and his exceptional skills as a prosthodontist. Others of us recall his fluid movements with a handpiece and with a wax carver as he converted our student-level attempts at prosthodontics into inspiring services for our patients.

As a young adult he shoveled coal on a transatlantic steamship. He then attended Western Maryland College and the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, graduating in 1931. Dr. Nuttall was a member of the American Dental Association and the Maryland State Dental Association. He served on the Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners and consulted for the Veterans Administration.

Dr. Nuttall engaged in private practice in Baltimore and taught at BCDS part- or full-time until 1970, save for the years he served in the Navy during WWII. He shared 64 years of life in marriage to Essie Mae Auld, rearing a son and a daughter.

## Insights from Budget & Finance

Not too long ago David Donatelli did the Academy an enormous service by introducing Treasurer Don Garver to a small business accounting software package, QuickBooks. David helped

Don set up tracking of Academy finances on a very professional level. This database, maintained by the Treasurer, is now routinely shared with Budget & Finance allowing me to begin developing analysis tools on behalf of the Board of Directors for establishing and monitoring Academy budgets. As an example, for the first time ever the Board had an interactive spreadsheet available at their mid-year meeting to explore the budgetary impact of assumptions built into the annual budget; e.g. number of guest doctors at the annual meeting, all attendee fees (seven categories), and the percentage of members attending the meeting.

### Administrative Costs

2007-2008	\$217,752 (projected)
2006-2007	\$159,800
2005-2006	\$219,750
2004-2005	\$196,244

### Administrative Costs Per Active Member (Active Member Dues; US)

2007-2008	\$ 465.00 (projected)
2006-2007	\$ 341.45
2005-2006	\$ 506.34
2004-2005	\$ 445.00 ( \$ 415.00)

Figure 1

Combined with very good projections of annual meeting costs from Jack Lipkin and historic data on administrative expenses, this year's budget process was as "evidence based" as has ever been possible.

Our Academy performs one major function – provision of an outstanding continuing education event and forum for social and professional networking. While the Academy operates primarily with volunteer assistance we do have recurring administrative costs (paid positions are limited to: Treasurer and Secretary for Guests; Secretary; Webmaster; and purchase of certified public accounting services). It was helpful for Board discussions at the

mid-year meeting to breakout administrative costs from annual meeting costs. Our administrative costs are presented in Figure 1 as both a total and per active member.

The significant decrease in 2006-2007 represents one-time savings recognized and captured by the officers and President Brewer. It can be seen that dues did not reliably even cover administrative expenses over the time period examined. Such information provided fresh clarification to the Board.

Separating-out meeting costs also helped the Board to focus more specifically on the importance of guest attendance and to more rationally set a fee structure for all attendees.

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## Proposed Bylaw Changes August 2007 Business Meeting

I. To change SRO #1 to be consistent with access to the Academy Website as a time and cost savings measure. Currently, the cost to mail out hard copies of the Bylaws, SRO and Policies as well as the Academy membership roster is in excess of \$10,000. The ability to utilize the Academy website and minimize the need to mail out hardcopies will be a significant savings.

### STANDING RULES OF ORDER

1. The membership roster will be published after the Annual Scientific Session and mailed with the minutes of the various board and membership meetings. This publication will also include these Bylaws, Standing Rules, and Policies. The Academy membership roster may not be distributed or reproduced without permission of The Academy.

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Proposed rewrite as follows:

*The minutes of the Academy's various board and membership meetings will be mailed and or e-mailed to the membership. Additionally, the membership roster, minutes of the various board and membership meetings as well as the Bylaws, Standing Rules and Policies and any proposed changes will be available as downloadable files on the Academy's website after the Annual Scientific Session. Hard copies of the membership roster, Bylaws, Standing Rules and Policies will be provided to members on request at cost. The Academy membership roster may not be distributed or reproduced without permission of The Academy.*

II. To modify the criteria for Life Membership. The re-write will delete the criteria of completion of 25 years of active membership. As membership of the Academy get older, it is anticipated that more and more members will request Life membership at a time when they are still in active practice. The potential loss of dues will have a negative impact on Academy finances in future years.

### ARTICLE III. Membership

B. Life Members:

1. Qualifications:

a. An Active Member in good standing, who has retired from active compensated participation in dentistry, may be eligible for Life Membership. Also a member in good standing for fifteen (15) years who has attained the age of 65-~~or has completed 25 years of active membership~~, or a member who has become incapacitated, may be eligible. A Life Member shall be entitled to the same privileges as an Active Member, but shall not be liable for dues or assessments. A meeting fee shall be collected from Life Members to cover meal

expenses while attending the annual meeting. A Life Member shall not receive the official journal of The Academy.

III. To modify SRO #12 to increase the speaker's honoraria from \$850 to \$1000. This is a modest increase, but one that helps defray costs incurred by nationally known speakers to speak at our annual meeting.

12. It shall be a matter of policy that:

a. Essayists

1. Non-Members:

Honorarium of ~~\$850.00~~

**\$1,000**

1 day per diem of \$300.00

2 days per diem for essayists outside North America

Coach airfare Waiver of meeting fee

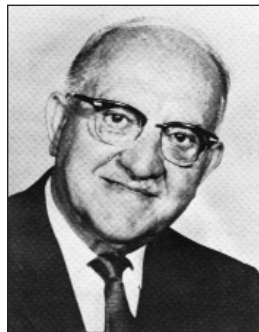
2. Members:

Honorarium of ~~\$850.00~~

**\$1,000**

No per diem, no airfare

### The Tylman Award



In 1950, Drs. Stanley D. Tylman, Claude R. Baker, and George H. M o u l t o n planned the development of The American Academy of Crown and Bridge Prosthodontics, now known as The American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics (AAFP). Dr. Tylman was especially well known throughout the US, having published a book on fixed prosthodontics in 1940. This text went through 8 editions, with the last edition being published after his death in 1989.

In honor of Dr. Tylman's leadership in the field of fixed prosthodontics and his scholarly pursuits, the AAFP established the Tylman Research Grant Program and the Tylman Award Program. The Tylman Research Committee manages these two programs.

The Tylman Grant Program is budgeted to distribute a maximum of \$16,000 in research grant money, with a maximum grant per recipient of \$4,000. In 2007 there were 11 applicants, and six grants were awarded. The grant recipients for 2007 were: Dr. Steven Parks (\$2,000) from Columbia University College of Dentistry, Dr. Mario Rotella (\$2,000) from University of Rochester, Eastman Dental Center, Dr. Nurit Bittner (\$3,500) from Columbia University College of Dentistry, Dr. Islam A. Khasawneh (\$3,500) from the University of Maryland Dental School, Dr. Teresita Hernandez (\$1,000) from University of Rochester, Eastman Dental Center, and Dr. Avinash Bidra (\$2,000) from the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. Any full-time student in an accredited postdoctoral program in the United States or Canada who is conducting research pertinent to fixed prosthodontics may apply. Predoctoral dental students are not eligible.

Once the research project supported by the Tylman Grant is completed, grant recipients submit a final report to the committee that includes a list of expenditures and a manuscript suitable for publication in **The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry**. These manuscripts then compete for the Tylman Research Awards. As many as three awards are presented each year based on the quality of the manuscripts. The first-place recipient makes a formal presentation on the research project at the upcoming annual AAFP meeting in February. The second- and third-place recipients present their results as table clinics at the February meeting.

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Annual meeting costs	
2007-2008	\$ 196,032 (projected)
2006-2007	\$ 146,898
2005-2006	\$ 139,877
2004-2005	\$ 127,512
Per capita meeting costs (per attendee)	
2007-2008	\$ 328.00 (projected)
2006-2007	\$ 270.00
2005-2006	\$ 235.00
2004-2005	\$ 225.00
Active member contribution to annual meeting	
2007-2008	\$ + 84.00 (projected)
2006-2007	\$ + 107.55
2005-2006	\$ - 57.34
2004-2005	\$ - 30.00

Figure 2

Information made available to the Board includes the meeting-related figures presented in Figure 2.

It is clear from the last two data that active members are being subsidized to attend the annual meeting; this years projected subsidy will be \$ 244 per member attending (assuming a 60% active member attendance). We are subsidized primarily by guest doctor registrations. Our QuickBook database contains sufficient information to allow a retrospective analysis of guest doctor registration. In the future it may be possible to provide an assessment of the impact of advertising or other campaigns against historical registration patterns. The graph on the bottom of this page (Fig. 3) compares guest doctor registrations for the 2006 and 2007 annual meetings (post-meeting registrations represent later deposits).

Importantly, Boards of Directors over at least the past decade have provided for sufficient cash reserves to cover an occasional annual meeting loss. This year the Academy also was fortunate in attracting significant corporate grants so that such savings were not utilized to balance our accounts.

This background is provided to help members understand the Board’s decision to raise dues by \$100 as well as to provide insights into how the Academy’s budget is developed. This increase directly addresses that dues had not kept up with administrative expenses and partially addresses the potential “softening” of guest doctor registration. Guest doctors are an essential feature of a successful meeting and the future of the Academy under our current business model. Many efforts are being taken by the Board and the Officers to enhance our relationship with guest doctors.

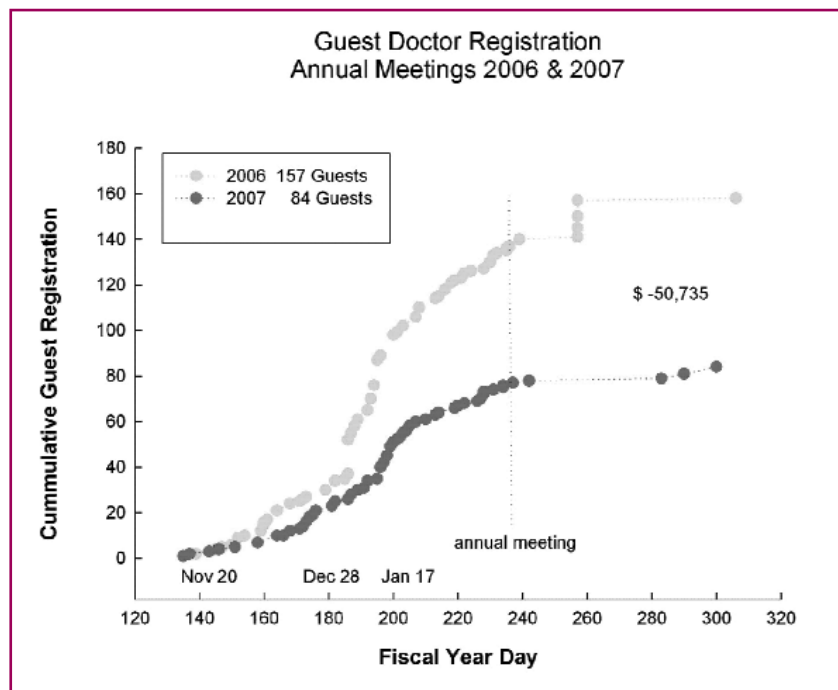


Figure 3



**Friday, February 22, 2008**

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| <b>Dr. David Garber</b>     | Prosthetic Gingival Reconstruction on the Implant Restoration                          |
| <b>Dr. Assad Mora</b>       | High Definition 3D Video: The Dawn of a New Era in Clinical Dentistry                  |
| <b>Dr. Eric Herbranson</b>  | The Future in 3D Imaging in Prosthetic Education                                       |
| <b>Dr. John West</b>        | Endodontic Predictability “Restore or Remove: How do I Choose?”                        |
| <b>Dr. Adriana McGregor</b> | Esthetic Periodontal and Implant Microsurgery: Expanding the Perio-restorative Synergy |
| <b>Dr. Mauro Fradeani</b>   | Prosthetic Optimizing of Anterior Esthetics  |
| <b>Dr. John Wataha</b>      | Alloys vs. Ceramics: A Challenging Dental Dichotomy                                    |
| <b>Dr. Ricardo Mitrani</b>  | Dentogingival Aesthetics: Interdisciplinary Approach to Treatment Planning             |

**Saturday, February 23, 2008**

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| <b>Dr. John Kois</b>         | Functional Occlusion: The Three P’s   |
| <b>Dr. Marcos Vargas</b>     | Predictable Lifelike Anterior Esthetic Restorations in Daily Practice           |
| <b>Dr. Ned Van Roekel</b>    | Prosthodontic Treatment Outcomes  |
| <b>Dr. John Sorensen</b>     | Ceramics & CAD/CAM: A Bridge to the Future                                      |
| <b>Dr. Joel Epstein</b>      | Diagnosis of Malignant and Non-malignant Lesions                                |
| <b>Dr. Thomas Abrahamsen</b> | Etiology and Diagnosis of the Non-Carious Loss of Tooth Structure               |
| <b>Mr. Aki Yoshida</b>       | Surface Texture: A Systematic Approach for Accurate and Effective Communication |
| <b>Dr. Bart Johnson</b>      | Tips, Tricks, and a Totally Geeky Review of Local Anesthesia                    |

Dr. Jerry Andres, Dr. Ricardo Schwedhelm  
*Program Chairs*

## 2008 Table Clinics

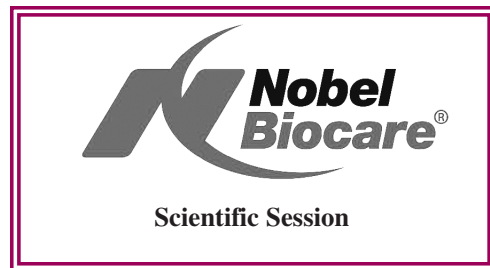
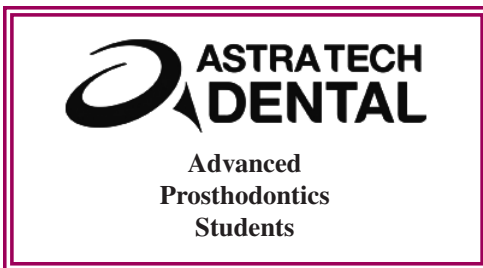
Title	Presenter	Mentor	Institution
“Effect of surface treatment of yttria-partially-stabilized zirconia on its flexure and bond Strength to dentin”	Dr. Dana Qeblawi	Dr. Edward Monaco	University at Buffalo Dental School, Advanced Prosthodontics
“Fracture resistance of pressable ceramic fused to metal implant abutment”	Dr. Sungtae Kim	Dr. Edward Monaco	University at Buffalo Dental School, Advanced Prosthodontics
“Surgical and prosthodontic reconstruction of a gunshot injury of the mandible”	Dr. Avinash Bidra	Dr. John Agar	University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine, Advanced Prosthodontics
“An alternative method of shade selection for indirect dental restorations: A case report”	Dr. Joe Meng Dr. Elias Kantogiorgos	Dr. William Nagy	Baylor College of Dentistry, Advanced Prosthodontics
“Radiographic guide for a cone beam CT using an existing complete denture”	Dr. Juan Ramirez Echave Dr. P. Andrew Benson	Dr. William Nagy	Baylor College of Dentistry, Advanced, Prosthodontic
“Complications with fixed complete dentures”	Dr. Lucy Nagashima Dr. Phu K. Tran	Dr. William Nagy	Baylor College of Dentistry, Advanced Prosthodontic
“Color stability of polished vs. glazed CAD/CAM produced restorations: A pilot study”	Dr. Agnieszka Domagala	Dr. Joseph Vitolo	Marquette University, Advanced Education in General Dentistry
“Treatment of edentulous maxilla with severely compromised residual ridge morphology: Case presentation”	Dr. Daniel Domagala	Dr. Gerald Ziebert	Marquette University, Advanced, Prosthodontics
“An overdenture incorporating a cast framework for a patient with cerebral palsy”	Dr. Babak Noohi	Dr. Michael Singer Dr. Carl Driscoll	University of Maryland Dental School, Advanced Prosthodontics
“Implant restoration of anterior dentition: Combining strength and esthetics”	Dr. Islam Khasawneh	Dr. Flavio Rasetto Dr. Carl Driscoll	University of Maryland Dental School, Advanced Prosthodontics
“Fixed complete dentures failure solutions”	Dr. Michael Ryan Dr. Viviana Guzman	Dr. William Nagy	Baylor College of Dentistry, Advanced Prosthodontics
“Accuracy of six mechanical torque-limiting devices for dental implants”	Dr. Mark Vallee	Dr. Heather Conrad	University of Minnesota Dental School, Advanced Prosthodontics
“Microbiota of healthy implants in edentulous patients with overdentures”	Dr. Sharon Negron Olivieri	Dr. Robert Wright	Harvard School of Dental Medicine, Department of Prosthodontics
“Opaquer for fixed complete metal-resin implant supported dental prosthesis”	Dr. Pakawat Chatriyanuyoke, DDS Dr. Julie A. Holloway DDS, MS	Dr. Robert Svensson	The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

## 2008 Table Clinics *continued*

Title	Presenter	Mentor	Institution
“Systematic review of the clinical performance of CAD/CAM restorations”	Dr. Julia-Gabriela C. Wittneben	Dr. Robert Wright Dr. German Galucci	Harvard School of Dental Medicine, Advanced Prosthodontics
“Comparison for tensile strength obtained by microwave post-ceramic soldering and conventional post-ceramic soldering”	Dr. Husain Ghadhanfari	Dr. Edward Monaco	State University of New York at Buffalo
“Evaluation of the captek/metal ceramic interface”	Rupal Vasani	Dr. Gerald Ziebert	Marquette University School of Dentistry
“Rehabilitation of a patient with hard/soft tissue deficiency in the esthetic zone”	Dr. Abdulmohsin Alhashim	Dr. Robert Flinton	University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey
“A survey of program directors: trends, challenges, and mentoring in prosthodontics”	Dr. Ryan Dunlop	Dr. Robert Wright	Chief Dental Resident, Bronx Veterans Administration, Bronx, New York
“Influence of porcelain thickness on cyclic loading resistance of two different metal-ceramic systems”	Dr. Alessandro Giminiani	Dr. Carlo Ercoli	AEGD Eastman Dental University of Rochester
“Self etching, self adhesive resin cements: Dimensional stability after 7 days water storage”	Dr. Vrochari Areti Dimitra		University Medical Center Freiburg, Department of Operative Dentistry, and Periodontology

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## AAFP 2008 Nominations

I believe we are truly blessed with the nominees being considered for leadership in this Academy. The work ethic and experience these individuals bring to our organization are qualities that will ensure the strength of our executive arm and board of directors well into the future. **Jane D. Brewer, Nominations Committee Chair**

### Nominee for Vice-President

#### Dr. Stephen Rosenstiel



Stephen F. Rosenstiel B.D.S., M.S.D. is Professor and Chairman of Restorative Dentistry at The Ohio State University College of Dentistry, where he maintains an intramural prosthodontic practice. He is a 1973 dental graduate of Birmingham University in England and completed his Masters in Prosthodontics at Indiana University in 1977. He taught fixed prosthodontics and occlusion at the University of Florida and University of London before joining Ohio State in 1985. He has been a member of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics since 1988. Dr. Rosenstiel has made a number of scientific presentations to the Academy and served on several committees, chairing the Research Committee (1995-1998, 2005-2008), and co-chairing the Program Committee in 2006. He served on the Board of Directors from 2000 to 2003. His leadership roles in other prosthodontic organizations are numerous, including American College of

Prosthodontists House of Delegates, Prosthodontics Group of the International Association for Dental Research, the John F. Johnston Society for Advance Prosthodontics and the Fixed Prosthodontic Section, American Dental Education Association for Dental Schools. Dr. Rosenstiel is on the editorial boards of four prosthodontic journals and has been a consultant to the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation since 2003. He is an author of the textbook *Contemporary Fixed Prosthodontics*, the fourth edition of which was published in 2006. He has authored over 150 scientific articles and abstracts, principally on the fracture properties of dental ceramics.

### Nominee for Secretary

#### Dr. Denny Smith



With the sudden resignation this past January of our longtime secretary, Dr. Robert Staffanou, Dr. Smith stepped in immediately to assume the duties of Interim Secretary. Dr. Smith served this Academy as its president in 1999 and is intimately familiar with the Academy's traditions and organization protocol. He has worked tirelessly since transferring the office of the secretary (from Bodega Bay, California to Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada).

Dr. Smith was born and reared in South Carolina and was educated in universities on the east coast of the United States. He earned his DDS degree from the University of Maryland and served in the USPS in Alaska. He later obtained his Certificate of Proficiency in Fixed Prosthodontics and MS in Oral Sciences from the University at Buffalo (NY) School of Dental Medicine. Having served on the faculty at the University of Manitoba for many years, Denny spent most of that time as Head of the Division of Fixed Prosthodontics. He continues to teach fixed prosthodontics, occlusion and dental ethics.

### Nominee for Director

#### Dr. Kenneth Gehrke



A 1982 graduate of University of Illinois College of Dentistry, Dr. Kenneth Gehrke completed requirements for a Certificate of Proficiency in Fixed Prosthodontics at UIC in 1984. He is currently Clinical Assistant Professor in UIC's Department of Restorative Dentistry where he also practices in the Faculty Dental Practice. Having been on the Local Arrangements Committee from 2003 to 2005, Dr. Gehrke continues to serve the Academy as chair of that committee, a position he has held since March 2005.

**Nominee for Director**  
**Dr. Steven Morgano**



Dr. Morgano, a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, received his DMD degree from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in 1976, completed a GPR at Philadelphia General Hospital in 1977 and completed his specialty training in prosthodontics at the Hines Veterans Affairs Medical Center in 1979.

Currently, Dr. Morgano is Professor of Restorative Sciences and Biomaterials and Director of the Division of Postdoctoral Prosthodontics at Boston University School of Dental Medicine. He is currently Chair of the Tylman Research Committee of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics. He is also a fellow of the Academy of Prosthodontics, the American College of Prosthodontists and the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics. Dr. Morgano is a member of the Editorial Review Board of **The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry** and serves as a site visitor for the Commission on Dental Accreditation for the accreditation of US Prosthodontic specialty programs. Dr. Morgano has lectured widely, published numerous articles and authored many book chapters, including eight in *Tylman's Theory and Practice of Fixed Prosthodontics, ed. 8*.

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Funding for lodging and airfare to attend the meeting is provided for all Tylman Award presenters.

The manuscripts of the grant recipients are submitted to **The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry** for peer review for publication. Tylman Grant recipients receive priority in the review process. In 2007 three manuscripts generated from the Tylman Grant Program were published in the **Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry**.

These two Tylman programs provide funding for postdoctoral students to conduct research, and allow international exposure by providing opportunities for students to present at the AAFP meeting and to publish in the **Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry**. All postdoctoral students conducting research related to fixed prosthodontics are encouraged to apply. Applicants for the Tylman Grant Program are accepted from February 1 to March 1 each year. Complete grant application information can be found on AAFP Website [www.fixedprosthodontics.org](http://www.fixedprosthodontics.org), or by contacting Dr. Steven M. Morgano, Chairman, Tylman Research Committee at [smorgano@bu.edu](mailto:smorgano@bu.edu).

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