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2003 AAID ANNUAL MEETING UPDATE

The Annual Meeting Committee is pleased to be bringing members, their staff and guests, an outstanding line up of speakers and social events. They recommend that members take advantage of reduced pre-registration rates and register NOW! In addition, it is advisable to make hotel reservations as soon as possible to ensure top notch accommodations at the beautiful Westin Diplomat Resort & Spa.

By now, members should have received their Preliminary Annual Meeting Program. It contains speaker information as well as tour and special event information, and the registration form.

This year's meeting is divided into three segments: the latest tools, techniques and technology; an esthetic program on the Eight Profiles of Site Development, and a two-day consensus conference on immediate function.

Among the many expert speakers are two pioneers in implant dentistry: **Leonard Linkow, DDS**, and **Axel Kirsch, DDS**.

Joy Millis, CSP, Kathi Carlson, RDA, and the committee have created a valuable allied dental staff program. This two-day event will offer five different workshops so that all dental staff can benefit from the program.

Dr. Mills promises an extravagant opening ceremony that should not be missed so plan to arrive at the hotel by Tuesday evening. Registration will be open, for your convenience, from 1:00-8:30 pm on Tuesday.



On Saturday evening, the President's Celebration promises to be a grand extravaganza. Black tie is optional but dancing is not! Enjoy the versatility of the musical group, Moulin Rouge Entertainment, and dance until midnight.

On Sunday, a ThankYou breakfast is scheduled so everyone can have some social time before departing. In addition, the AAID is offering an educational post-meeting course on Marketing Dental Implants and the written part of the Associate Fellow examination. For more information on the meeting or the course, visit the Academy web site at www.aaid-implant.org.

The committee has put together an educational extravaganza and now its success depends on all members. Share your Preliminary Program with non-member colleagues and encourage them to register. This truly is one meeting you cannot afford to miss.

The Westin Diplomat Resort & Spa is located on the beach in beautiful Hollywood, Florida, so plan to bring the entire family and enjoy a little vacation time before or after the meeting.

Four exciting tours have been arranged for spouses, guests and children. The day-long trip to the Everglades with swamp and buggy tours is sure to delight everyone.

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THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Dear colleague,

As I write this letter to my fellow members of the AAID, I am preparing for a Board of Trustees meeting. One of the potential highlights of the upcoming meeting is a leadership workshop* for all Board members. This workshop will further assist all Board members with current and future strategic planning to reposition the Academy as the premiere dental implant organization in the world.

Repositioning the Academy to this prestigious position is one of my main goals as president. I have heard from many members that this is an important aspect of their membership. **I hear you and I am acting on your request.**

One of the sure ways to elevate the Academy's position in the dental implant world is to have a truly successful annual meeting in which **ALL** members, non-members, allied dental staff and their guests register and attend the 2003 AAID Annual Meeting in Hollywood, Florida.

The program is confirmed and I am sure you will agree upon reading the Preliminary Program, that it is a truly impressive main podium event with five hands-on allied dental staff workshops. A large attendance will send a clear and unprecedented message that the AAID is **THE** dental implant organization to which prosthodontists, periodontists, general dentists and oral surgeons flock for educational enhancement and membership.

Be part of this solution! Demonstrate your allegiance to the Academy! If you have not yet registered, do so immediately. Make your hotel reservation as soon as possible and take advantage of the special AAID rate. Your Preliminary Program book is on your desk. Review it and complete the user friendly registration form and fax it in to the Headquarters Office (or go to the web site for information and on-line registration). I promise you, you will not be disappointed.

It will be Michelle's and my pleasure to greet each and every one of you in November at the beautiful Westin Diplomat Resort & Spa. Many social events are scheduled at which we can share ideas and have a good time.

Warm regards,

Edward Mills D.D.S.

**On page three of this newsletter you will find an article regarding a leadership forum attended by Executive Director Vincent Shuck and me in May. It was an enlightening and inspiring workshop that encouraged me to present a similar format to the Board of Trustees.*

ACADEMY CONTINUES LEGAL BATTLES

In a continuing effort to protect AAID credentialed members' rights to announce their hard earned credentials, the Academy recently filed a motion with the United States District Court, Eastern District of California to request that this Court reject the motion by the California Dental Board to dismiss the case entirely.

The new suit, first reported in the April issue of this newsletter, was in response to the California Dental Association who amended the statute in September 2002 in an attempt to legislatively overrule the decision of the federal court in Bingham II. The AAID and **Dr. Michael Potts** filed a suit in February to have the statute declared unconstitutional based on the decision in Bingham II.

This is the AAID's third lawsuit in California seeking a ruling that dentists who have earned the credentials of Fellow, Associate Fellow and Diplomate of the ABOI are entitled to advertise them. The California Court upheld that right and declared the Dental Board's enforcement policy unconstitutional; however, the State of California has now amended the law and, as a result, the Dental Board seeks to invalidate the court's previous judgment.

**PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ATTEND
ADA LEADERSHIP FORUM**



President Mills and Executive Director Shuck with ADA President, Dr. T. Howard Jones (center)

AAID President Edward Mills and Executive Director Vincent Shuck attended an ADA-sponsored Leadership Team Forum designed to bring chief elected officers and executive directors together to share leadership principles and to discuss management themes. More than 40 individuals representing state and local dental societies and national dental organizations like the AAID attended the conference at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management.

"This event not only presented some thought-provoking issues, but gave me additional insights on some of my strategic planning activities," said Dr. Mills.

The forum included a presentation by faculty from the Kellogg School and breakout sessions so participants could interact. The working lunch was moderated by the ADA President and Executive Director. They summarized the efforts the ADA is making to refine the differences between the policy development and strategic planning roles of the Board of Trustees and the operational roles of staff. The afternoon sessions covered leadership styles, organizational trends, and techniques for recruiting volunteers.

It was pointed out that an organization needs a strategic plan in order to define its intended course of action. The plan of action by the committees and staff should follow the predetermined direction established by the Board. The goal is to reduce uncertainty through planning and to provide a clear direction.

"The meeting emphasized that it's better to have a strategic plan based on historical experiences and intended goals rather than simply a list of unrelated activities," said Mr. Shuck. "The experience should help us define who we serve and how we serve these customers."

Some trends that are changing dental organizations include: members not having time to volunteer for long-term or major organizational activities, generational differences that create different membership expectations, aging of the population, and more desire to save the environment and to have a healthy life style.

Dr. Mills noted, "The Academy must be willing to cultivate its future leaders and to respect the members' time commitments. In addition, I want to see the Academy's nominating committee to function year-round on leadership development, instead of meeting just once a year to prepare a slate of nominees."



EDITOR'S COMMENT

The AAID has always been at the forefront of education. Advancing and perfecting our clinical skills is one of the cornerstones of the success of the AAID as well as its individual members. We continue to strive to improve the quality of care for our patients, and in so doing help to maintain the credibility we have worked hard to earn.

A list of upcoming courses is always included in this newsletter. Of course the annual meeting on November 5-9 in Hollywood, Florida, should not be missed. A comprehensive review of dental implant esthetics covering surgical and prosthetic considerations will be presented. This will be a wonderful learning experience for the doctors and staff. Please plan on attending.

David G. Hochberg, DDS

DISTRICT NEWS

Southern District

The joint Northeast and Southern Districts meeting was held March 28 and 29, 2003, at the Renaissance Hotel in Washington, DC. The location and speakers were excellent. Clinical hands-on presentations included advance suturing techniques, PRP preparation and phlebotomy techniques. Didactic presentations included esthetic, prosthetic, surgical, mini-provisional implants and pharmacology. **Dr. James Rutkowski** and the Northeast District were excellent hosts. The meeting was highlighted Friday night by a scenic cruise on the Potomac River that took us past the lights of historic Georgetown and the famous monuments of Washington, DC.

Attendance was excellent with over fifty attendees, thirteen of whom were Southern District members. A caucus meeting was held Saturday and the minutes of the November annual meeting were reviewed and approved. Reports from the secretary and president elect were presented and approved.

Topics discussed included the upcoming AAID Annual Meeting in Hollywood, Florida, and the need for Diplomates from the Southern District to help host the meeting. **Dr. Ed Mills** requested that credentialed members sign up for this duty (or be appointed!).

The World Congress of Oral Implantology will be held in Hawaii March 4-7, 2004. The Southern District and other districts of the AAID have elected to participate in this meeting. On Saturday March 6, 2004, the Districts will be given three hours for six thirty-minute presentations on implantology. We are requesting a call for papers from members of our district interested in presenting at this meeting. Lectures must be presented with Power Point or in digital format as no slide projectors will be allowed. **Dr. Larry Bush** will preside over the meeting for the Southern District

Dr. Randy Rose forwarded approximately \$2,800 from his president's account which represented profits generated from the Vail 2002 summer meeting. Way to go Dr. Rose!

The Southern District has held combined meetings with the Northeast District for the past four years. The meetings have been successful and educational, and the interaction with members from the Northeast District has been very rewarding. However, several concerns have been noted during our combined meeting period. First we have noted a dramatic reduction of attendees from the non-host district. Second we have noted a reduction in officer duties and responsibilities in meeting preparations. This presents a potential problem for effective officer training and development within both districts. Thirdly, there are conflicts regarding the time of year which works best for each respective district to hold their district meetings. Therefore, we have elected to discontinue joint meetings and will hold our 2005 meeting and future meetings separately. We encourage our members to attend both meetings in the future and invite our Northeast colleagues to attend our meeting.

Samuel F. Jirik DDS
President, Southern District

Northeast District

The Northeast Annual Meeting for 2004 is being held in Honolulu, Hawaii, from March 5-8, 2004, at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Beach Resort and Spa. For hotel reservations call 1-800-Hiltons.

The meeting is co-sponsored by the Southern, Western and Central districts. It will be in conjunction with The World Congress of Oral Implantology annual meeting with 1400 participants expected.

More information about the program and registration is available at www.WCOI6.com.

John C. Minichetti, DMD
President-elect, NE District



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ADMISSIONS AND CREDENTIALS BOARD

During its annual meeting, held May 1 – 4 in Chicago, the Admissions and Credentials Board examined 44 candidates – 41 for Associate Fellowship and three for Fellowship. The Board also considered seven other applications that were based on credentials, two for Associate Fellowship and five for Fellowship.

The A & C Board's report about its meeting/examination and recommendations for election of new Associate Fellows and new Fellows were submitted to the Board of Trustees for consideration at its June 6 – 7 meeting. Recommended for election were 32 of the Associate Fellow candidates and all eight of the applicants for Fellowship.

The Board approved several minor clarifications in the materials provided to Associate Fellow and Fellow candidates.

April 29 – May 2, 2004, are the dates for the next oral/case examinations for Associate Fellow and Fellow membership. The application deadline is February 1. This is the last time that the oral/case examination for Associate Fellowship will be given during the three-year eligibility period for dentists who passed the written examination in 2001.

The Board has scheduled the 2005 and 2006 examinations on April 28 – May 1 and May 4 – 7, respectively. Each year, the examinations will be held in Chicago.

Do you have questions about the requirements for Associate Fellowship and Fellowship? Would



Drs. Dunn, Rutkowski and Martin during the review of case reports for the Associate Fellow and Fellow examinations



The Admissions and Credentials Board. From left to right: Emile Martin, DDS; Joseph Orrico, DDS; James Byland, DDS; David Hochberg, DDS; Louis Rugali, DDS, examiner consultant; Roger Plooster, DDS; Beverly Dunn, DDS; Richard Borgner, DDS; Jesse Osier, DDS; James Rutkowski, DMD, chair man; and Arthur Molzan, DDS. Not present: Perry Bingham, DDS; and A. Burton Melton, DDS.

you like to have more information about how to prepare your case reports? If so, plan to attend one or more of the four opportunities that the Board will provide for Annual Meeting attendees to learn about the requirements for credentialed membership and the examination process. One of these sessions will be at the Lunch and Learn session on Friday, November 7 where Chairman James Rutkowski and Joyce Sigmon, staff liaison, will explain the examination requirements and process. During the other three sessions, several of this year's successful candidates will display their case reports. These sessions will be held at the following times:

- Thursday, Nov. 6 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. and from 6-7 p.m.
- Friday, Nov. 7 from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

If you have been planning to become a credentialed member of the AAID, now is a good time to start. The written part of the Associate Fellow examination will be given three more times this year and in three different locations:

- August 8, Chicago, Illinois
- November 9, Hollywood, Florida, in conjunction with the 2003 Annual Meeting
- November 14, Atlanta, Georgia.

Applications and fees are due in the Headquarters Office at least 30 days before each examination. For an application, visit the AAID web site – www.aaid-implant.org/credentials/AssociateFellow – or contact Joyce Sigmon in the Headquarters Office.

GLOBAL COMMITTEE UPDATE



Drs. LaMar, Allen and Johnson with implant students from Garcilaso University after a long surgical day

The Global Committee continues to move forward with its efforts and commitment to bring educational programs internationally, to increase the Membership of the AAID with Global Members, setting up and organizing local study clubs and or districts of AAID Global Members.

- Programs have been offered in China, Russia, Peru, Venezuela and Italy. Programs are planned for Peru, Brazil, Mexico, Rumania, Russia, England, Ireland and Norway.
- Committee members are working to support the 2003 Annual Meeting by organizing an Ambassador Hosting Program. Letters have been sent to all Delegates and Committee Members with 25 gift certificates to be used as an incentive to increase Global attendance.
- Members of the Committee are working with Delegates and prospective Delegates to counsel and work with them to schedule symposiums, seek out candidates who may qualify as Delegates, increase membership and attendance at this year's meeting.
- Working with the Membership Committee Chairman, a letter went out to Global Members who are in arrears with their dues to encourage them to pay their dues, remain active in the Academy and become active with our Global efforts.

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AMERICAN ACADEMY OF IMPLANT DENTISTRY Continuing Education Course Schedule

Contact the Headquarters Office at 877-335-AAID (2243) or 312-335-1550 for details and to register.

AUGUST 8, 2003

**MARKETING DENTAL IMPLANTS
MINI AND TRANSITIONAL IMPLANTS – WHEN, WHERE, AND HOW
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

Two courses that may be taken as a unit or separately. In the morning, Craig Cooper, DDS, will teach you how to increase the acceptance of implant treatment in your practice. In the afternoon, Emile Martin, DDS, will present a participatory course that includes the history, indications, contraindications and efficacy of transitional and mini-implants in the routine practice of dental Implantology.

SEPTEMBER 5–6, 2003

**INTRODUCTION TO CT SCANNING IN IMPLANT DENTISTRY
RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA**

A participatory course for generalists and specialists about the use of CT scans in treatment planning for root-form and subperiosteal implants. Jerry Soderstrom, DDS, course director. Limited to 25 participants.

OCTOBER 10–11, 2003

**THE ART AND SCIENCE OF CONTEMPORARY SUBPERIOSTEAL IMPLANTS
BUFFALO, NEW YORK**

A participatory course for generalists and specialists in the design, placement and restoration of subperiosteal implants. Completion of the Introduction to CT Scanning in Implant Dentistry course is a prerequisite for dentists who are just beginning their study of subperiosteal implants. Jerry Soderstrom, DDS, course director. Limited to 25 participants.

NOVEMBER 9, 2003

**MARKETING DENTAL IMPLANTS
HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA**

A course that will teach you how to increase the acceptance of implant treatment in your practice. Craig Cooper, DDS, course director.

NOVEMBER 21, 2003

**THE RESTORING DENTIST – THE LEADER OF THE IMPLANT TEAM
PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

A course that addresses what general practitioners encounter when they are working in a team situation. This course is co-sponsored by the Central Arizona Dental Society. Kevin O'Grady, DDS, course director.

JANUARY 16–17, 2004

**BONE GRAFTING
DAYTON, OHIO**

A technique course for generalists and specialists about bone grafting and nerve repositioning procedures featuring hands-on experience with cadavers. James Rutkowski, DMD, course director. Limited to 30 participants.

17th ANNUAL AAID/MCG MAXICOURSE®

Fifty clinicians from around the world have headed "back to school" by committing to complete the 17th Annual MCG/AAID MaxiCourse® curriculum.

The ten-month program commenced in February at the Medical College of Georgia School of Dentistry in Augusta, GA. The course offers participants over 300 hours of lecture, laboratory sessions, live surgical demonstrations and home/office assignments. Basic science information in anatomy, microbiology and histology is also included in the curriculum. Another component of the course is "A Team Approach to Excellence in Implant Dentistry." These sessions designed for auxiliaries and office support staff will be held in October.

The 31 course instructors are among the country's top authorities in the field of implant dentistry. **Dr. Edward Mills**, Dr. Michael Billman and Dr. Mohammed Sharawy serve as course directors.

Registration is now open for the eighteenth session beginning March 2004. Additional information can be obtained by calling the Medical College of Georgia Division of Continuing Education at (800) 221-6437.



Dr. Kevin O'Grady responding to questions during a break at the Restoring Dentist course in May 2003

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I am two board meetings away from finishing my involvement as an officer of the AAID. The five years passed too quickly. What an honor to work in such an environment! In the April issue of the AAID Newsletter, Dr. Mills made a mention of our powerful membership. I would be remiss not to echo his sentiments, but also to exalt your Board. The effort put forth by the line officers has been exemplary. The elected district representatives were in attendance at the Board Meetings and were prepared to take care of Academy business.

Personally, I was diagnosed with early prostate cancer in June of 2002. I choose brachy therapy, which is surgically non-invasive. This allowed me to continue my joy of Master Track participation. My plan is to run in San Juan, Puerto Rico for the World Masters Olympics in early July. At this moment the doctors give me an extremely good prognosis. I appreciate the prayers and notes from those of you who knew of my dilemma.



Dr. Frank LaMar, Dr. M. Hernandez, Dean of Garcarilaso Dental School and professors with Dr. Johnson in Lima

Perhaps the highlight of 2002 was lecturing and seeing the wonders of Peru. Dr. Frank LaMar and I lectured and did live surgery for four days in Lima. Dr. Clifford Allen was a gracious host. Through this effort, we now have 19 new members, an effort which can hopefully be duplicated in other locations globally. This venue allows for more membership growth and provides a great experience for our academy

members. To see other cultures while teaching implant dentistry is most rewarding. During 2002 our Academy had growth in numbers and financially. We ended on a positive note. Vincent Shuck and the staff at our home office are to be commended. At the national meeting in Los Angeles our theme of global involvement and global speakers resulted in a standing room-only audience at the main podium.

In conclusion, let me thank the membership for the privilege of serving the Academy as President during 2002. It is with excitement that I look forward to Hollywood, Florida, in November. Because of the visionary efforts of President Ed Mills and his program committee, we can expect an exceptional educational experience. I also want to thank Dr. David

Hochberg and the office staff for giving us a spring preview of our autumn feast at our 2003 annual meeting.

Warmest of Regards,

Paul W. Johnson DDS



Dr. Frank LaMar, Dr. Johnson and a guide at Maachu Picchu, Peru

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\$225,000

You can make a contribution to the AAID Research Foundation in honor of a friend or colleague, or in memory of someone. Your generosity and kindness will be shared with the honoree through a personal note from Chairman Frank LaMar, DDS. Simply send the information to Afshin Alavi, afshin@aaid-implant.org, fax: 312-335-9090 or suite 750, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611.

NEW MEMBERS

The Academy is pleased to report that membership has hit an all-time high of more than 2400 members. In addition, the Academy is pleased to welcome the following new members. If you joined the Academy recently and your name does not appear in this issue, it will appear in the next issue.

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On April 21, 2003, after passing rigorous examinations on implant dentistry, 20 new professionals joined 223 other dentists as a Diplomates of the American Board of Oral Implantology/Implant Dentistry (ABOI/ID). As such, the following new Diplomates have joined the nation's leading experts in implant care.

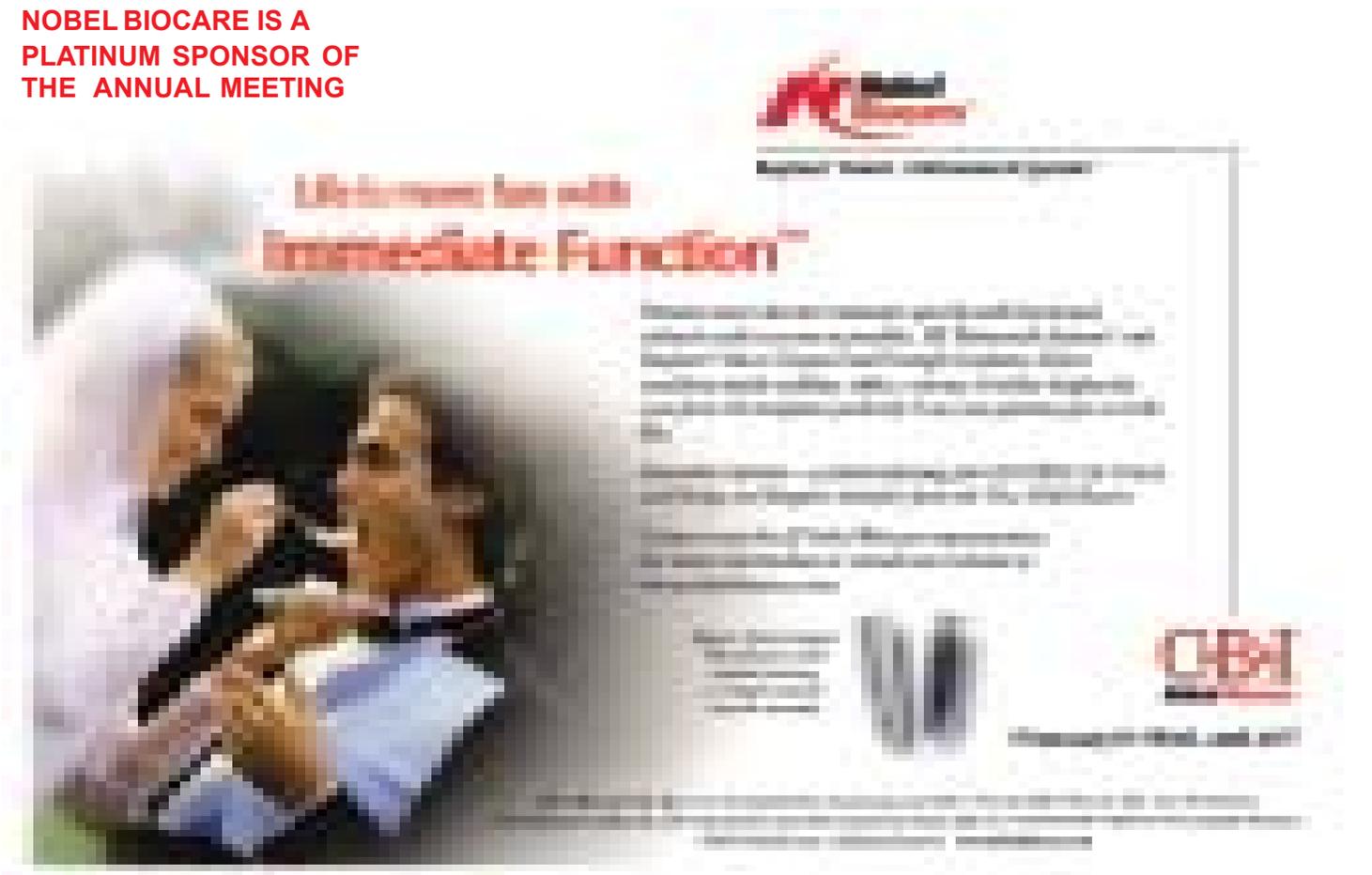
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- Charles S. J. Samborski, DDS, Worcester, MA
- Frank C. Sung, DDS, Houston, TX
- Michael Tischler, DDS, Woodstock, NY
- Len Tolstunov, DDS, San Francisco, CA
- Richard I. Weiss, DDS, Tucson, AZ
- Natalie Y. Wong, DDS, Toronto, Ontario, CANADA

To sit for the examination, they were required to practice implant dentistry for at least six years, to provide implant services to more than ten patients, and to otherwise prove their implant expertise. To earn the title of Diplomate, these dentists presented cases for review by an expert panel of implant dentists and passed a series of written and oral examinations sponsored by the American Board of Oral Implantology/Implant Dentistry.

The examination process measured the in-depth knowledge, proficient skills, and abilities required for practitioners to provide comprehensive, safe, and effective oral implant care for the public.

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- **Dr. Mandell** has extended approximately ten invitations to prospective Delegates in China, Guatemala, Venezuela, Greece, Portugal, Chili.
- **Dr. Paul Johnson** has been successful promoting and organizing two separate South American Conferences with Dr. Mario Groisman in Rio de Janeiro—Sept 19-20 and Dr. Clifford Allen in Lima, Peru, Sept. 24 to 27 both of whom are Global Delegates and he will be giving a presentation on behalf of Global in Puerto Rico.
- Dr. Tor Tegnander of Norway, Dr. Thomas Ip of Hong Kong, Dr. Sirbu of Rumania, our Russian Delegates and Dr. Smucler of Prague, Czech Republic are working to promote programs in their countries.

- The Global Speaker's List is being updated for Academy members interested in speaking at a Global Conference. Contact **Dr. Benson Clark** if you are interested and available at your own expense or by corporate sponsorship.

Please contact **Frank LaMar** if you have a candidate for an Advisor.



Dr. Dogalev, a Global Delegate, and faculty at the University of Stravapol, Russia

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EDITOR'S INTERVIEW WITH DR. BURTON BALKIN



Burton Balkin, DMD

D. H. - It is certainly a pleasure to speak with you and given your involvement over the years, there is so much we can talk about. How were you introduced to dental implants as a treatment option for your patients?

B. B. - I was an officer of the student dental association when I was a senior dental student at Temple University Dental School. My primary duty was to get four speakers to speak throughout the year. I read an article about implant dentistry by Drs. Gershkoff and Goldberg and it intrigued me. I contacted them about coming to speak to us. It was 1954 and they were going to Washington to present the first lecture on implant dentistry at an ADA meeting.

D. H. - So for members who are not aware of the history of Drs. Gershkoff and Goldberg, can you enlighten us?

B. B. - They're basically responsible for the start of modern-day implant dentistry in the United States. The subperiosteal implant was the one with which they were working. Dr. Goldberg was the first President of AAID and he was recently honored at our 50th anniversary annual meeting.

D. H. - Do you remember how you felt when you first heard about placing dental implants?

B. B. - It was exciting. The more I thought about, the more interested I became and I wanted to pursue it further.

D. H. - It sounds like Gershkoff and Goldberg may have been your early influences; did you have any other mentors back then?

B. B. - Isaiah Lew is one that I was friendly with and he was a big help to me. When I joined the Academy there were only about 50 active members at the time.

D. H. - And that was 50 members nationally?

B. B. - Yes. There were some people who were prominent in the Academy at that time. Art Jemyn was the first editor of the journal. The Academy was called the American Academy of Implant Dentures. As the scope of dental implants industry expanded, the Academy also evolved.

D. H. - Please share with us some of the changes you have seen in our organization or some of the consistent mainstays.

B. B. - Consistent mainstays of the organization have been the goal of being a resource organization for people doing dental implants. It has been the organization that has provided the overall support of this treatment option. The AAID has always required a demonstration of expertise and knowledge. I might add that the entrance exam was much less formal but it was there screening the people who desired membership.

D. H. - You have held every major position in office in the AAID. You served as one of our presidents, you recently served as president of the ABOI and you are currently serving as a member of the Board of Trustees. What else have you accomplished at the AAID?

B. B. - I chaired and led the development of the formal testing programs under psychometric principles with the ABOI. I oversaw that coming into being. It has helped standardized tests and has helped us maintain an impeccable testing procedure. The A & C Board now bases its testing in the same manner as well.

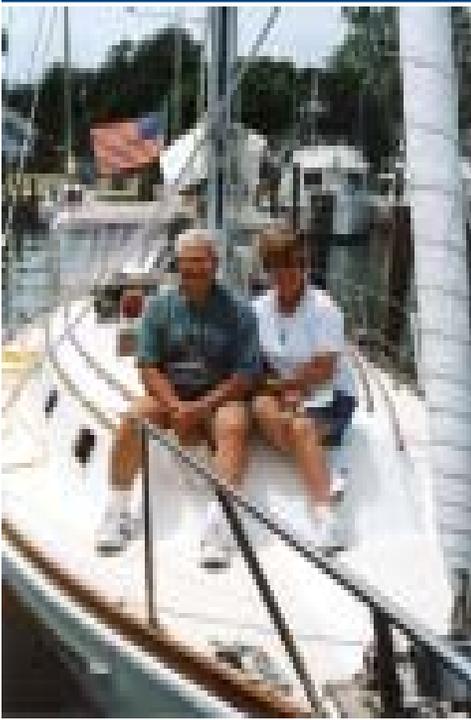
D. H. - Think about younger dentists coming out of school right now who are interested in implant dentistry. What would you say to these young dentists as how to get involved and how can they benefit by being affiliated with the AAID.

B. B. - I tell them that implant dentistry utilizes all different forms of dental care and if they want something that is going to help their practice and will help their patients in a way that has not been available in the past, they should follow up on this. It is very helpful to be with the AAID as it offers formal and informal implant programs. There are other groups that don't have the history we have. Some have different approaches to disseminating knowledge. We still maintain the premier position in this arena.

D. H. - Burt, you have been a mentor to many and I'm sure you will agree that the AAID has always understood the importance of education. Tell us about your involvement with this educational process.

B. B. - I first was faculty of a prosthetic residency program in a hospital in Philadelphia. I introduced an implant venue into the program in the early '60s. Subsequently, at a different hospital, I was asked to join the oral surgery staff and expose the oral surgery residents to implant dentistry. And it provided me an opportunity to do some of my treatment care in the hospital. I also became involved at Hahnemann Hospital Medical School in Philadelphia. Most of the institutions that I have been involved with are in Philadelphia but I have lectured to various groups in schools throughout the country and overseas. I was asked to join the staff at the University of Pennsylvania and I held an associate professorship in the periodontal prosthetic program. I also helped teach a program at USC. That was a program Leo Ward started with Tom Chess. I used to go out there every year and present some of the work I was doing. I am now at Temple University Dental School, several hospitals and Drexel University Medical School.

One other point I would like to add is that in those days we used to help each other out with educational programs. I would go to other places and they would come to the school I was at—spreading the implant gospel, if you will. About 15 years ago I did a course at Penn which is probably the precursor of the MaxiCourse®. I might add that some of those who attended the course and whom I encouraged to join the Academy were Emile Martin, former president, and Joe Buttacavoli who is now a trustee. I also



Burt & Esther Balkin aboard their sailboat, "Explorer," prior to sailing to Nantucket

encouraged students and friends to join. Some of these represent the current leadership of our organization including President-elect Fran DuCoin. It gives me a lot of pleasure to see that. I can recall 10 or 15 years ago encouraging a young man in Atlanta by the name of David Hochberg to take the exams!

D. H. - I will never forget that. I understand you're involved in a new educational opportunity for future implant dentists?

B. B. - I'm faculty in the graduate periodontal program at Temple University, I have an associate professorship, and I still have a private practice. Most of my efforts in recent years have been in the graduate programs involving prosthetics, oral surgery and periodontics. However, the dean and the chairman of the periodontal department requested that I develop a program to expose the seniors to the actual placement of implants and the prosthetic aspect of it. We decided to start this semester and we have had an exceptionally large response from the students. We picked three of them to work with us and have found that their enthusiasm was fabulous. These are the top students in their class and I am very enthused that these people will provide a nucleus to help bring other classmates into the field.

D. H. - Do the students actually have an opportunity to place an implant?

B. B. - The students have an opportunity to place one implant after a didactic program. I must add

that the day we started doing the clinical portion I said I wished I would have taken a photograph of them in the morning because of the differences in their facial expressions and demeanor following their positive experiences.

D. H. - Look down the road 10 years. Where is implant dentistry headed for patients? Where do you think implants are headed for implant dentists and general dentists?

B. B. - It is a continuation of what has happened today. In the progressive offices, implant dentistry is an integral part of treatment. It is no longer considered a far-out achievement, but it is considered a form of routine treatment and in many instances, has taken the place of other treatments that basically had a very guarded prognosis or limited lifespan. Implant dentistry has changed from being the last resort to a means of providing a more predictable and beneficial treatment for patients. As an example, if a patient with a healthy mouth has lost one tooth for whatever reason, an implant is generally preferred rather than crowning two teeth and providing a fixed bridge. This is a considerable change and now it's becoming the first option rather than the last resort. It can also be considered neglect if you don't offer this treatment to patients.

D. H. - Let's think about general dentists who are involved in providing this wonderful service for their patients. What role will the general and implant dentist play as the years go by?

B. B. - The general dentist is the one who will determine the best treatment option for the patient. It will become very important for that general dentist to be very knowledgeable in the total treatment, whether or not he or she provides it. Just as general dentists can develop their skills in many other forms of special areas of dentistry they can do that very well with implant dentistry. The reality is, most of the early advances in implant dentistry have been made by general dentists.

D. H. - Tell us about your involvement in educational research.

B. B. - I was involved in some of the early work with maxillary subperiosteal implants. I was part of the development of barrier bone regeneration as

a consultant with the W.L. Gore Company and did the first human pilot study with gortex, membranes and implants. I hope to have a retrospective review of the study in our journal shortly. The bone was reviewed with subtraction radiography. In recent years, I have been involved with the microbiology of tissue around dental implants and the effects this has on success and failure. We have several doctors at Temple who are very knowledgeable in that area. Some of the groups that I have been around have been working with natural teeth and natural biology. I have influenced them to work with implants as well from a microbiological standpoint.

D. H. - Burt, some closing thoughts to the membership.

B. B. - Most of our members are clinicians. They are joining the organization at the initial level as a place to get information about implant treatment for their patients. I would encourage them to continue to gain knowledge from the group and get their credentials. Credentials are very important today because they demonstrate that you have this knowledge. It will help you gain acceptance by your patients and by the profession at large. It will provide you with means to have a stimulating and exciting career in dentistry. We talked a lot about what I've done with the various phases of my career in the organization with research and teaching, but I've always been a clinician and I still consider myself a clinician. As a clinician it is important to get your knowledge and get your credentials. The AAID has the ability to provide both of them for you and can expose you to an arena of dentistry that is exciting and is the future of dentistry.

In looking back, the AAID has been an important and integral part of my professional career as well as helped me to develop personal friendships.

D. H. - Dr. Balkin, I want to thank you for sharing your thoughts and comments with our membership. Your ongoing service in a leadership capacity continues to influence and helps to guide the AAID to a higher level. Thank you.



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