AAID ANNUAL MEETING RAVING SUCCESS

He predicted that the Academy would experience record-breaking attendance and that it would be an all-time great meeting, and he was right!

Edward J. Mills, DDS, immediate past president, received glowing reviews from all attendees on the quality of the program; the special events included in the five-day meeting; and the addition of some pizzazz to the opening ceremony each day.

“It takes a really well-oiled team to produce this type of event and I was blessed with an incredible committee, supportive Board and exceptional Headquarters Office Staff,” said Dr. Mills of the 2003 Annual Meeting in Hollywood, Florida. He personally thanked each committee, Board and staff member and presented them with an AAID monogrammed robe as a token of his appreciation.

In between meetings and special events, he sat at his computer putting together a slideshow to present at the culminating event, the President’s Celebration. Photos of members, staff, committee members and AAID sponsored courses entertained the 650 present for the dinner and dancing.

The meeting was comprised of three seminars: New Tools, Techniques and Technology brought attendees up to date on the newest in implant dentistry; the Esthetics Program was a must-see event orchestrated by Dr. Maurice Salama; and Dr. Carl Misch assembled experts on immediate function for the one-and-one-half-day consensus conference.

According to General Chairman Mark Davis, DMD, the meeting attendance exceeded his expectations. “We added a day to the meeting giving dentists an additional day of education and, judging by the record attendance, it appears that it was appreciated,” he said.

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Dr. Mills acknowledges the committee. From left to right: Mark Davis, DMD, general chairman; Maurice Salama, DMD, scientific co-chairman; Edward Mills, DDS; Carl Misch, DDS, MDS, scientific co-chairman; James (Larry) Bush, DDS, ambassador chairman.

Two weeks before the meeting, the hotel had to find additional space as the original room for the main podium presentations was too small to accommodate the more than 800 preregistered dentists.
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More than 800 dentists attended, with 180 staff, 50 guests, and 268 exhibitors for a total attendance of 1468—a record in the history of the Academy.

“It’ll be a hard act to follow,” said 2004 President Fran DuCoin, “Dr. Mills has truly raised the bar; however, my team and I are up to the challenge,” he said. Dr. DuCoin and his committee were prepared with early-bird registration forms for the 2004 meeting in New York, offering a $200 savings prior to December 31, 2003. All on-site 2004 pre-registrants’ names were entered into a raffle and Dr. Peter Balogh, a member from British Columbia, won a four-night complimentary hotel stay at the beautiful Marriott Marquis in Times Square. (see PEOPLE section)

The grand finale of the meeting was the President’s Reception & Celebration. Dr. Mills chose a Latin theme of Noche de Luna Llena—night of the full moon.

The guests were treated to superb entertainment offered by a classical Latin guitarist, flamenco dancers and the band, Moulin Rouge. Fog engulfed the dance floor as a flamenco dancer moved to the romantic guitar music. The ballroom was festooned with tropical foliage and decorated with backlit Palladium windows and twinkle lights. Dinner consisted of shrimp cocktail, caprese salad, filet mignon and cumin-crusted grouper with seasonal vegetables and paella style rice with mango cheesecake for dessert.

On Sunday morning the Academy offered a Thank You Breakfast to all attendees before their return home. Attendees commented on the newfound knowledge that they had received at the meeting.

Many corporations showed their support by becoming corporate sponsors. CenterPulse was the premier Presidential sponsor; Dentsply, Nobel Biocare and 3i were Platinum sponsors; and Altatec, Bicon, Biolase, Bioplant, Clinician’s Preference, DentalView, Harvest, Innova, Lifecore and Strauman were Gold sponsors. CenterPulse and Dentsply hosted receptions, as did the AAID at its Welcome Reception.

The 2003 annual scientific session was certainly a meeting that showcased the AAID as a true leader in implant dentistry. The attendees came from 24 countries to observe cutting-edge, state-of-the-art presentations designed to help us all better serve our patients.

Everyone I spoke with also had rave reviews for the Diplomat Resort. It was second to none with amenities and services that will be remembered for a long time. Of course, Dr. Mills must be singled out for the team he put together. They provided us all with a meeting that sets the standard of excellence in keeping with the AAID’s continued commitment and philosophy.

I feel proud to be associated with such a fine group of professionals as I know you, the membership, do as well.

Let’s do it again next year when we meet in the Big Apple, New York, New York!
Art Molzan was the first person I met who was involved in the AAID. It was 1983, we were taking a course in IV conscious sedation and Art had to drive almost three hours to get there. During a clandestine conversation in a lecture, he told me he was an Active Member (similar to an Associate Fellow today, but the requirements were more complex). I was impressed. Art still impresses me today. In November at the 2003 Annual Meeting, I had the pleasure to speak with Jeffrey Rempala who is a new Associate Fellow this year. I was impressed. If you do not know either of these gentlemen, you are missing something; they both have much to offer.

Sometimes when I talk to a member who is considering not continuing with the AAID, they will say that they just belong to “too many organizations.” That disappoints me. . . greatly. The AAID is NOT just “another” organization. Anyone who feels that way, unfortunately and for whatever reason, has not taken the time to learn what the members, not just the organization, have to offer—professional respect, help when needed, support when asked and, in many cases, deep friendship.

At the 2003 President’s Celebration Dinner I had the honor to host a few of the people who influenced me over the years and who have also become my friends. Tom Chess, who asked me the last question when I took the Active Membership examination (he does not remember it, but I do). Terry Reynolds, who was A&C Chairman at that time and taught me much. Craig Cooper, who was President when I first became an Officer and helped me to learn my job. Emile Martin, who continues to teach me about the way people make organizations work, and so much more.

If it had been possible, there are so many others who I would have liked to have hosted. I owe them a great deal. Lenny Linkow, who, during my Diplomate exam, asked me the most difficult questions I had ever been asked. Steve Johns, who was the first person I called after I took the Active Membership exam (I don’t think he knows that). Burt Balkin, a teacher in dental school, a friend now. Jerry Soderstrom, who is one of the most intelligent and kindest, people I know. The list goes on, Jay Shartzer, Walt Knouse, Hilt Tatum, Joe Orrico, Jim Fagan and his dad Maurice Fagan, Lew Benjamin, Joe Buttacavoli, Mark Davis, Norman Cranin, Jim Rutkowski, Norman Lee, Jon Wagner, Jack Lemons, Charlie Weiss and, of course, Ed Mills, and probably a bunch of others I should have mentioned.

So what’s my point? We will have an incredible year in 2004. The Academy is about to introduce Study Clubs, a certification program for assistants will be underway by the Annual Meeting, the Speakers Guild has been organized, successful CE courses continue to be offered and new ones proposed, our legal challenges will continue to be actively pursued and the Officers are seriously exploring our future. But these things are not what makes the Academy successful - you do.

You separate the Academy from all of the “other” organizations. You make it work. Just as the fine gentlemen mentioned above guided and helped me, you are doing the same thing now, for each other, and for the Academy. Let me know your talents, we will make them useful. I am working with a great team this year, and have fantastic momentum from all of the hard work over the past years; however, I will not continue to make this Academy great, YOU will. So tell me how you want to be involved. I’m easy to get in touch with and I look forward to hearing from you, the heart of the Academy.

Fran DuCoin, DMD
The Board of Trustees meeting was held at the Westin Diplomat Resort & Spa on November 4, 2003, prior to the annual meeting.

Dr. Mills reviewed the successful year and attributed the achievements to his focus on the following factors: 1) showing up at meetings; 2) being prepared to take action; 3) resolving to fulfill an exciting vision; 4) having the ability to inspire members; 5) following positive examples of past leaders; and, 6) having powerful, influential and hard working friends.

Dr. Mills also recognized the contributions of each of the Academy’s staff.

The Advance Planning Meeting report noted that the officers would begin a strategic planning process. The Board noted each officer’s vision and authorized the President and/or President-elect to implement several of the suggestions outlined in the report.

Dr. Recker, the Academy’s legal counsel, reported on activities of the California and Florida suits.

Drs. Mills and Davis reported on the 2003 Annual Meeting’s pre-registration, daily schedule, corporate sponsorship, allied staff program, special events, marketing activities and budget. Both indicated that the quality of scheduled speakers and the committee members’ clout with speakers and manufacturers contributed to the meeting’s success.

Drs. DuCoin and Gowey reported on the ongoing activities for the 2004 meeting and Dr. O’Grady noted that the 2005 committee was confirming theme and speaker selections.

Following discussion of future annual meeting locations, the Board approved the San Diego Manchester Grand Hyatt for the 2008 AAID Annual Meeting.

Dr. DuCoin reported on the ABOI Liaison Committee and the Board agreed that it is appropriate to review the financial status of the ABOI and the AAID’s involvement.

Dr. DuCoin reviewed the Bylaws Committee’s report and the one recommended amendment from the 2002 Business Meeting. Following discussion, the Board agreed that the proposed amendment should not be approved.

The Education Committee report was reviewed and, following discussion about the India MaxiCourse®, the Board agreed that the formal agreement between the AAID and the Indian Academy of Interdisciplinary Dentistry could be modified provided the AAID receives a request from the IAID to make the modifications.

Dr. LaMar summarized the recommendations of the Global Committee. Following discussion, the Board agreed to: 1) change the requirement to become a Global Advisor from Fellow and Diplomate to Fellow and/or Diplomate; 2) appoint the following Global Delegates: Dr. Triny DeFranco, Dr. Allan Claret; Dr. Akintade Dare; Dr. Arnoldo Soussa, and Dr. Xiao Jiang Yang; 3) appoint Dr. Arturo Hruska and Dr. Mira Yasinovsky as Global Advisors, and 4) approve Dr. John Stowell as the recipient of the “Global Implant Dentist of the Year.”

Dr. Phillips summarized the Marketing Committee’s effort to develop a new Academy logo and presented the committee’s three final choices. Following discussion, the Board’s preference was to retain the present logo but the committee was authorized to explore other options and report its review to the February Board meeting.

The Board noted that the Academy membership had reached its largest numbers. The Board approved the Life Member application of Dr. Louis J. Valente.

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PAST PRESIDENT’S REPORT

During a time that our country has been at war and despite the fact that the world economy has been in a severe down turn, the American Academy of implant Dentistry has not only prospered, it has thrived.

Following the overturning of a Florida Federal court decision at the appellate level, the Officers quickly acted to defend our bona fide credentials. We have legally challenged any persons or groups that limited our members from properly announcing these credentials. In addition, your Officers have never worked more cohesively, your Board of Trustees has never been more productive, our members have never been as supportive and your Headquarters Office staff have never been more efficient. I am proud to say that your Academy is very strong and getting stronger.

We have created a solid foundation for our future. Strategic planning combined with an enthusiastic and mutually supportive leadership will assure the Academy’s ongoing prosperity. Our membership is inspired to act and project themselves in the best professional manner. The American Academy of Implant Dentistry is the oldest authoritative organization representing implant dentistry. It is comprised of the pioneers in the field, young and older clinicians in private practice, educators in universities and the future leaders of tomorrow.

As the 2003 AAID president, I was honored to work on behalf of the people that I most respect, professionally and personally. We ran a fast and aggressive race this year. I was handed the baton to carry as your president from others that inspired me to work my hardest. I handed off the baton with the expectation that we will continue to lead and represent ourselves as the authoritative organization for implant dentistry.

As a past president, you can count on me to continue to work on behalf of the Academy. I will support our new leaders, as well as assist in the development of future leaders. I will continue to teach and share my experiences, as those that so unselfishly and graciously did for me. I will try my best to conduct myself in a way that reflects positively on the Academy and myself. I hope the friendships that I made during this year will continue for the rest of my life.

We all need to celebrate our 2003 accomplishments:
~ Reached the highest membership and gross and net income levels in the AAID’s history
~ Obtained the most corporate sponsorship for the Annual Meeting ever
~ Elected 33 new Associate Fellows and eight new Fellows
~ Continued our efforts to protect the rights of members to announce their earned credentials. Two suits have been filed, one in California and one in Florida, to make sure that our bona fide credentials are protected.
~ Initiated a strategic planning process that will have a positive impact on the Academy’s future
~ Initiated use of digitized communication systems for the Board of Trustees and AAID committees, which increases efficiency and facilitates the sharing of information
~ Continued to co-sponsor the AAID MaxiCourse®, which is recognized as one of the top dental CE courses, with Medical College of Georgia and New York University
~ Produced the Second Annual Cadaver Bone Grafting Course, which was fully enrolled and had a waiting list
~ Introduced three new educational courses
~ Approved the AAID’s first international MaxiCourse®, which will be held in India

Thank you for your confidence, support and friendship. I appreciated the honor and privilege of serving as your President.

Edward Milne DDS
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- Dr. Michael Pizas
- Dr. Joan Pi Urgell
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ADMISSIONS AND CREDENTIALS BOARD

The Board of Trustees has appointed Beverly W. Dunn, DDS; Bethesda, MD, as chairman of the Admissions and Credentials Board. The Board also appointed Burton E. Balkin, DMD, Philadelphia, PA; M. James Fagan, III, DMD, Atlanta, GA; Max J. Malan, DDS, Ogden, UT; and James H. Byland, DDS, Moberly, MO, to three-year terms.

The other members of the 2003 – 2004 Admissions and Credentials Board are David Hochberg, DDS, Atlanta, GA; Emile Martin, DDS, Syracuse, NY; Burton Melton, DDS, Albuquerque, NM; Arthur Molzan, DDS, Cape Coral, FL; Joseph Orrico, DDS, Elmwood Park, IL; Jesse Osier, DDS, Davis, CA; and Roger Plooster, DDS, Lincoln, NE.

Effective January 1, 2004, the application fee for the Associate Fellow and Fellow examinations will increase to $750. The Associate Fellow examination fee continues to include both the written and oral/case parts, payable at the time of application for the written examination. This is the first change in the examination fees in nine years.

April 30 – May 2, 2004, are the dates for the next oral/case examinations for Associate Fellow and Fellow membership, which the Board gives annually in Chicago. The application deadline is February 1. Those who passed the written part of the Associate Fellow examination in 2001 are urged to apply since their three-year eligibility ends with the May 2004 exam.

In 2004, the Board will give the written part of the Associate Fellow examination four times:

- June 13 New York
- August 6 Chicago
- November 7 New York
- November 12 Atlanta

Applications for the written part of the examination and the $750 application fee must be received in the Headquarters Office at least 30 days before the date of the written examination. Contact Joyce Sigmon in the Headquarters Office for information about eligibility requirements and an application packet. The application materials are also posted in the Credentials section of the Academy’s website – www.aaid-implant.org.

GLOBAL COMMITTEE

AISI Meeting in Verona, Italy
October 2003

The Accademia Italiana di Stomatologia Implantoprotesica held its meeting at the Verona Congress entre. The speakers came from Italy, Russia, UK, Germany, Spain and Switzerland and it truly was an international implant meeting.

The delegates numbered 350 and came from academia, hospitals and general practice, and its President, Dr. Arturo Hruska, chaired a very successful conference. The subjects were varied and of particular note was the immediate loading concept with the initial stability of the implants provided with titanium wire either welded (intra-oral welder) or screwed to the temporary implant abutments.

The Italian implant market is full of small suppliers and, as a consequence, the average price of any implant is the cheapest in Europe precisely because of this competition in the implant market. The market leader in bio-materials is Bio-oss which is bovine derived (their membrane Bio-gide is porcine derived) and the demand for alloplasts is rapidly growing; however, the sales of allografts is small compared to the USA because of the lack of regulated bone processors and bone banks. The use of HA coating on implants is slowly declining and this has not been helped by a lawsuit in France. It is of interest that the largest implant market is Germany closely followed by Italy and Spain. The UK market is the smallest in Europe.

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Dr. Hochberg: Do you think this is something our new members can look forward to as their relationship grows with the Academy?

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There’s been a lot of action being taken by the Global Committee. I’m very excited that this is one of the main issues of the Academy, to increase international activity.

Dr. Hochberg: And how is the international program going?

Dr. DuCoin: There are international dentists joining the Academy and our members are providing a lot of educational courses overseas. The AAID has also co-sponsored courses delivered by international dentists.

Dr. Hochberg: What are some of the major issues at the forefront of the Academy?

Dr. DuCoin: The major issues facing the Academy in the next year are following up on what Dr. Mills has started and looking at the direction the Academy needs to pursue. We have to develop a strategic plan about where we want to go in the next three to five years. The Academy has a very strong history of purpose. In the beginning, the Academy fought to make implants an accepted modality. We won that battle and implants are accepted. After that the Academy looked into becoming a specialty. We fought that battle only to realize that it is not a winning situation and wasn’t really worth the resources to continue it. After that Dr. Recker was very visionary by guiding us to protect our AAID credentials in the courts. Last year, our battle went all the way to an appeal to the Supreme Court. We were turned down but are continuing our efforts in Florida and we have the potential for great success in the legal area in California.

We are an academy of educators and practitioners, an academy that looks towards what we can do to help each other and our patients. We are going to look very hard and carefully at where we came from and determine where we want to go so our Academy can continue to grow strong.

I am confident we will see the Academy reappearing as the pre-eminent dental implant academy, not just in this country, but worldwide. In the eighties, if you placed dental implants, you were in the AAID. In the new millennium, implants are a part of everyday practice; however, too many practitioners are unaware that the AAID exists. We need to promote the Academy in a variety of ways: to continue the growth of the journal and to assure its position as a respected publication; to re-establish the Academy as the leader in implant dentistry. We need to get into the dental schools and graduate programs, and continue to promote and produce educational programs of an exceptional caliber.

Dr. Hochberg: Let’s talk about membership. How do you feel about membership participation at the 2003 annual meeting?

Dr. DuCoin: Member participation at this meeting was incredible. The membership took the role of host to a lot of non-members. One of the things that I have heard in the past is that it is the President’s meeting. One of the things I am realizing now is that it is the Academy’s meeting. We all have to take an active role to make the meeting successful.

Dr. Hochberg: At all the meetings, we often hear of the importance to earn our credentials. Why is this important?

Dr. DuCoin: The credentialing process requires us to document our education and experience through a bona fide, objective, in-depth examination conducted by our peers. Through this process, we demonstrate to ourselves that we understand what we do. When you earn your credentials, you have the confidence that you can promote yourself to your patients as someone who is proficient in implant procedures. Even though a large number of dentists are doing implants today, not a large number have taken the time to demonstrate their proficiency in a variety of modalities. And that’s what the Academy offers- the ability to demonstrate this to yourself and to the world.

Dr. Hochberg: On behalf of the Academy I want to extend my congratulations to you as our new president and wish you the best of success as you lead the AAID through this upcoming year.
NEW MEMBERS

The Academy is pleased to report that membership has hit an all-time high of more than 2,400 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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Dr. Lisa Austin
Mohd Awwad, DDS
Gabor Balogh, BSc, DDS
Peter Balogh, DDS
H. Dexter Barber, DDS
Robert Beckman, DDS
James Bentley, DDS
Michele A. Bibeau, DDS
Bertrand Bonnick, DDS
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Po-Chun Chang, MDS
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Leslie Cohen, DDS
Gary Combs, DMD
Helena A. DeLuca, DMD
Marvin Diamond, DMD
Patricia Diaz, DDS, MS
Isaac Freedman, DDS
Kazuhiro Fukunishi, DDS
Joseph Ganz, DMD
Todd Gathright, DDS
Dr. Arne Gheorghiu
John Giblin, MDS
Peter Gold, DDS
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David Groh, DDS
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Frederick Gustave, DDS
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Saad Salam Habeeb, BDS
Dr. Robert A. Hall
Edgard Hernandez, DMD
Koike Hirotsda, DDS
Salah Huwais, DDS
Tsuneo Imanishi, DDS, PhD
Anastasios Irianakis, DDS, MSc
Joon Rae Jeong, DDS
Junho Jung, DDS
Andrew Kelly, DDS
Robert Kettlewell, DDS
Dr. Gunno Kim
Kwon Soo Kim, MSD
Dr. Myung Sub Kim
Peter G. Kim, DDS
Soo-Geol Kim, DDS, MSD
James R. Kimmelman, DDS
Ronald C. Kobernick, DDS
Dr. Hanns-Konrad Kuhlmann
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Virgilio Mongalo, DMD
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Kevin Neshat, DDS, MD
Kotaro Oyama, DDS
Dr. Enio Pedrozo
Loscar Perez, DMD
Brian Raskin, DDS
Dr. Arthur L. Rathburn
Ralph Reynolds, DMD, MD
Scott Roberson, DDS
Barrett Rochefort, DDS
David Sanchez, DDS
Nicholas Schubin, DDS
Dennis Sevel, DDS
Nima Shafee, DDS
Shreyas Shah, DDS
Jae Hyun Shim, DDS
Samer M. Shoukfeh, DDS
K. Ben Skerbeck, DDS
Narayanan Sreenivasan, MDS
Joseph N Stan, DDS
Clark Stelmashuck, DDS
Jason C. Stoner, DDS
Louis Trudel, DDS
Michael P. Vandenberg, DDS
Larry Walker, DDS
E. Robert Wardius, DMD
David Weiss, DDS
Edward J Williams, DMD
Kyungchun Yeom, DDS

PEOPLE

Dr. Ronald Cullen

Ronald Cullen, BDS, DDS, of Dorset, England, recently made the largest individual contribution to the AAID Research Foundation in its history. Dr. Cullen, who recently attended the AAID Annual Meeting, sent a check for £5,138 which is approximately $8,866 USD. Dr. Cullen decided to donate his payment for a course to the research foundation to further research in implant dentistry. “The AAID Research Foundation is eternally grateful to Dr. Cullen for his extraordinary generosity,” said Chairman Frank LaMar.

Dr. Jerry Soderstrom

Another outstanding donation to the Research Foundation was made by Jerry Soderstrom, DDS, on behalf of his company, Implant Imaging Corporation, in the amount of $3,000.

Dr. Craig Cooper

Craig Cooper, DDS, course director of the Marketing Dental Implants course following the annual meeting, donated his $1,500 honorarium to the Research Foundation.

Dr. Peter Balogh

Peter Balogh, DDS, was the lucky winner of the four-night hotel stay at the Marriott Marquis. Dr. Balogh won the prize as a result of pre-registering for the 2004 annual meeting at the 2003 annual meeting. Congratulations, Dr. Balogh. See you in New York in November.
2003 AAID Research Foundation Grants

The AAID Research Foundation’s Board of Directors, during its November 2003 meeting approved the funding of the following projects:

“Analysis of Autogenous Platelet and Growth Factor Availability from a Simple Technique for Use in Dental Implant Surgery”
Duquesne University Graduate School of Pharmacology/Toxicology
Principle Investigator: James Rutkowski, DMD
Grant Amount: $9,065

“Pre-Differentiation of Human Mesenchymal Stem Cell for Bone Tissue Engineering; an Ectopic Investigation in SCID Mice.”
University of North Carolina, Department of Prosthodontics
Principle Investigator: Ingeborg J. DeKok, DDS, MS
Grant Amount: $9,430

The application deadline for the AAIDRF grant is August 1. The application deadline for the David Steflik Memorial Student Research Grant is May 1. If you have any questions, please contact Afshin Alavi at Afshin@aaid-implant.org.

Nobel Biocare and the AAID Research Foundation Raffle Program

Thanks to Nobel Biocare and the members of the AAID, the raffle program generated $56,400 for the Endowment Fund. Congratulations to Drs. Louis Rigali, Robert J. Buhite, II and Emil L.A. Svoboda for being the winners of the raffle.

THANK YOU

Thanks to those AAID members who participated in the AAID Research Foundation’s 2003 Corporate Auction program. The 2003 corporate auction program generated over $20,000 for the Research Foundation, the highest ever. A special thanks to the following corporations, individuals, and organizations that donated items to the Auction Program:

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The use of PRP and distraction osteogenisis was fruitful and on the political front, AISI has formed a collaboration with the president of the Italian General Medical Practitioners that can only bode well for raising the awareness of implants in Italy. AISI is sponsoring the Amazonian Project that involves equipping a small deprived village in the Amazon with medical supplies and an ambulance. Hopefully, some dentists will be travelling there to offer professional services gratis.

The evening social dinner was held in a very old restaurant (part of an old palace) and the food and wine were incomparable. The region around Verona is famous for Valpollicella wine together with its venerated and expensive sibling called Amarone, which is used among other things to make a very exotic risotto. I presented, on behalf of the AAID, a mounted certificate to the AISI president and Dr. Hruska in turn presented me with a certificate to celebrate the twinning of the two Academies and, to this end, we hope to work together and increase the profile of Implantology internationally.

Dr. John Stowell
AAID Global Committee Member

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Dr. Cranin reported for the publications committee and reiterated that editing and rewriting services are offered to authors providing a manuscript to the JOI. Following discussion, the Board appointed the following individuals to the Editorial Board: Dr. Mike Warner, Dr. Barry Bartee, and Dr. Pankaj Narkhede.

Dr. Svoboda reported that subcommittees were being created for the Speaker’s Guild and communication links among the members would be established.

Regarding Study Clubs, Dr. DuCoin noted that the committee had made progress on the original vision and mission assigned to it by the Board. Following discussion, the Board agreed to: 1) rescind the policy requiring all members who belong to a Study Club supported by the AAID to be AAID members; 2) direct the Education Committee to supply the required forms to AAID-supported Study Clubs and to permit these clubs to provide CE credit through the Academy’s AGD and ADA-CERP approval; 3) include in the Study Club didactic package for $600, one facilitator workbook, one bylaws form, one promotional package, one list of suggested topics, one organizational structure/how to get started package, CE record forms, and for each member of the Study Club, a Loma Linda CD-ROM, a certificate of participation and one-year subscription to the JOI and newsletter; 4) offer the first year of AAID dues to Study Club members for $175.

The September 30, 2003, financial statements were reviewed and the 2004 budget was approved.

Dr. LaMar reported on the activities of the Research Foundation and noted that two research projects had been approved for 2003-2004. In reviewing the Foundation’s Corporate Solicitation Committee’s report, the Board agreed to refer the matter of holding a “Research Foundation Corporate Forum” and the matter of adding a voluntary exhibitor donation to the Executive Committee and referred the opportunity to hold a Foundation Gala dinner to the annual meeting planning committees.

Dr. Weiss reported on the plans for the World Congress of Oral Implantology #6 that will be held in Honolulu, HI on March 5 – 8, 2004.

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WCOI 6 is expected to resolve controversies related to five different areas of Implant Dentistry: Differential Diagnosis, Treatment Planning, and Maintenance; Bone Enhancement—Local and Systemic; Prosthodontic Optimization; Failures and Reversible Complications; and Education and Credentialing. Additional scientific programming includes more than 100 “Do it My Way Table Clinics,” “Spotlight on the People's Republic of China—Significant Advances in Implant Dentistry,” several sponsor and co-sponsor sessions, posters, and more!

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Submitted by Janelle Mattson
WCOI 6

New FCC Rules Affect How the AAID Communicates With Members

New regulations of the FCC (Federal Communications Commission) slated to go into effect January 1, 2005, will have a major impact on how membership organizations like the AAID interact with their members, exhibitors and vendors. These new rules eliminate the previous “established business relationship” that allowed the AAID to fax information to those who have expressed an interest either in writing, electronically, or verbally, in receiving communications from us.

Under the new rules, in order to communicate with you by fax about upcoming programs, services, products and registration deadlines, we must have your prior signed, written consent and all fax numbers for which consent is being provided — even if we are responding to your phone request.

In an effort to be ready for the January 1, 2005 deadline, a “permission to fax” form appears on the bottom of the 2004 dues notice. Members are urged to complete the form and return it with their dues payment.

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