ACADEMY COMMITTEES SPRING INTO ACTION

As the calendar turned to March and the prospect of Spring being right around the corner, several of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry’s committees took the opportunity to meet and spring into action.

Education Committee: The Education Committee, met in the Headquarters Office on February 25. Chaired by John D. DaSilva, DMD, MPH, ScM, the committee also includes Nicholas Caplanis, DMD, MS; James Fennell, DDS; Emile Martin, DDS; Emil Svoboda, PhD, DDS; and Stephen Swallow, DDS. Jaime Lozada, DDS also attended the meeting.

Much of the meeting was devoted to revision of the Academy’s guidelines for advanced programs in implant dentistry, a project that the committee began at a special two-day meeting last November. When completed, the revised document will reflect the changes in implant practice that have occurred since the original document was approved in 1998. The new guidelines have been modeled on the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) standards for advanced education programs.

Since the Academy of Osseointegration had recently announced appointment of a committee to work on a similar project, the revised document will reflect the changes in implant practice that have occurred since the original document was approved in 1998. The new guidelines have been modeled on the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) standards for advanced education programs.

President Kim Gowey, DDS (left) and President-elect Frank Lamar, Sr., DDS confer before the meeting of the Board of Trustees.

DR. PAUL JOHNSON AND WIFE PERISH IN PLANE CRASH

Dr. Paul Johnson, of Lubbock, Texas, a long term member of the Academy and his wife, Marcia, died in a plane crash on Monday, March 20, 2006. Dr. Johnson was believed to be piloting a twin-engine plane that went down near the heart of Branson, Mo. Two other passengers, also from Lubbock, perished in the crash.

Paul Johnson was an Honored Fellow of the Academy, earning that honor in 1998. He was a Diplomate of the ABOI/ID since 1991 and earned his Fellow Credential in the Academy in 1989. He was a 1960 graduate of the Baylor Dental School and served as president of the AAID in 2002.

Dr. Johnson was also quite the athlete and at the time of his death was the reigning Gold Medal World Masters Champion in the 400 meters for his age group. He was also a member of the World Masters Relay Team in the 800 and 1600 meters.

Paul and Marcia are survived by three children including two sons who are also dentists in Dr. Johnson’s practice in Lubbock and their daughter who worked in Dr. Johnson’s office. He and Marcia also had five grandchildren.

Condolences can be sent to the family in care of the dental office at 4501 50th Street; Lubbock, Texas 79414.
President Kim Gowey presided over the February 4, 2006 meeting of the Board of Trustees.

District representatives reviewed activities in and financial information for each district. The need to coordinate the selection of district meeting speakers was noted and the Board agreed that districts should inform the Headquarters Office of potential speakers prior to program finalization in order to avoid unnecessary duplication.

Dr. Recker, the Academy’s legal counsel, reported on issues related to the Academy’s suits in California and Florida.

The Board reviewed the summary of the AAID Research Foundation activities and noted that over $68,000 was contributed or pledged by Academy members, $15,000 by corporations and the Corporate Auction generated over $16,000. The golf outing, a new RF event, generated over $13,000 in income. Dr. Gowey referred to the Finance Committee the matter of reviewing the proposal that Academy and districts consider donating a portion of operating surpluses to the Foundation. In addition, the Board asked the Foundation Board to consider whether or not there could be opportunities to partner with other foundations to better accomplish certain goals.

The ABOI Liaison Committee reported that 46 candidates are scheduled to take the 2006 ABOI/ID examination in March. In addition, the Board considered the ABOI response to the AAID Liaison Committee’s questions about the international project and after discussion, referred the matter to the Liaison Committee for review and response.

The Annual Meetings Committee provided summary information related to the 2005 Annual Meeting, including registration data, schedule, marketing activities, and budget details and noted that the meeting established total attendance, gross income and corporate sponsorship records. Also, the informational reports on the 2006, 2007 and 2008 annual meetings were reviewed. Drs. Paul Johnson and Shankar Iyer were appointed as the 2007 Meeting Chairman and Scientific Chairman, respectively.

The Board noted the Education Committee’s review of MaxiCourses® and approved Dr. Shankar Iyer as the Director of the India MaxiCourse® Program.

Dr. Beverly Dunn, Treasurer, reviewed the year-end financial statements and noted that the 2005 audit was underway. He informed the Board that 2005 represented another extraordinary year for the Academy with a total revenue of $2,450,158. It was further emphasized that throughout the year, the Academy’s leadership and staff maintained a sound fiscal accountability and closely monitored expenses. Based on the Treasurer’s and Executive Director’s recommendation and
Greetings from northern Wisconsin, as I write this in February, I’ve got a busy schedule planned for the year representing our Academy. I’ll be attending the Board of Trustee meeting and annual meeting planning meeting in February, Western and Central Districts meeting in Puerto Vallarta in March, our meeting cosponsored with the Irish Dental Association in Dublin in April, Northeast District meeting in Boston, American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry meeting in San Diego in May, Board of Trustee meeting and Leadership Conference in Chicago, Southern District meeting in Charleston in June, Officers Planning meeting in Chicago in September and DGZI meeting in Munich in October and finally the Board of Trustees meeting and our 55th Annual Meeting in Chicago in October.

We are sponsoring a Leadership Conference in Chicago on June 3 to offer training to our Board of Trustees, committee and district volunteers and to members interested in enhancing their leadership skills. This interactive seminar will provide you with practical skills to achieve ongoing success in meeting day-to-day leadership challenges. We are pleased to have Mary Byers, who is known throughout the country for her leadership knowledge and facilitation skills, to help you hone your own leadership style to use in your practice and in your various roles within AAID.

Our Public Relations Committee, with Dr. Joseph Orrico as chairman, is working their plan to take the AAID to a national audience. They are retaining a publicist with national connections to editors and writers of consumer oriented publications, plus broadcast media, including morning talk/news shows in major markets. Dr. Orrico and the committee have identified several target markets to reach to make the AAID and its members known. This is the beginning of a multiyear plan to increase the visibility of the AAID and its members to the public and profession.

Dr. Jihad Abdallah has had great initial success with the Jordan MaxiCourse® cosponsored with the Jordan University of Technology and Science, with over 90 students enrolled for the program. We wish him continued success in furthering AAID efforts in the Middle East.

Dr. Shankar Iyer has expanded the India MaxiCourse® to two venues, one in Chennai and one in Delhi, because of increased demand. Our current international MaxiCourses® are thriving and increasing our membership and exposure world wide.

Our U.S. MaxiCourses® under the direction of Dr. Norman Cranin and Dr. Edward Mills are the finest implant educational programs available anywhere for practicing dentists. Encourage your colleagues to get the education they need in implant dentistry and attend one of these great programs. They won’t be disappointed!

Finally I’d like to extend our advanced congratulations to Loma Linda University School of Dentistry for the 30 year anniversary of the Advanced Education Program in Implant Dentistry. They are celebrating 30 years in November. When Dr. Hilt Tatum was AAID president, he raised $100,000 from our membership to support this program. This was begun by Dr. Robert James and now is directed by Dr. Jaime Lozada. Look at all of the fine graduates and the research this program has produced over the years. We are reaping the benefits of our donation today. Congratulations!

Drs. Arthur Molzan and Roger Plooster have the scientific program put together for our Annual Meeting in Chicago October 25-29. The theme is “Achieve the Ultimate Makeover with Implant Dentistry.” There is something for everyone from the main podium with marketing your practice, gaining acceptance of your recommendations, hard and soft tissue surgery and prosthetics. We have many world renowned speakers from whom you will learn something new that you can take home and put to work.

Drs. Molzan and Plooster have Dr. David M. Vassos, Dr. Dick Barnes, Dr. Paul Homoly and a dozen other

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Editor's Note: The following interview includes three newly credentialed members of the Academy. **H. Dexter Barber, DDS** of Philadelphia received his Fellow credential in 2005. **John R. Hargreaves, III, DDS** and **Olinga Hargreaves, DDS** both earned their Associate Fellow credential in 2005. They are believed to be the first husband and wife to earn the Association Fellow credential.

**HOCHBERG:** How long have you been practicing implant dentistry?  
**HARGREAVES:** Dr. John has been practicing implant dentistry since 1999 and Dr. Olinga since 2000 when in residency.  
**BARBER:** I am an oral and maxillofacial surgeon and implant dentistry has been a part of my practice for 17 years. Implant dentistry and implant surgical training are required of all accredited oral and maxillofacial surgery residency programs. Thus, I was exposed initially to implant dentistry when I began my residency in 1985. Implant dentistry including restorative and surgery became a special emphasis for me in my oral and maxillofacial surgery practice from day one.

**HOCHBERG:** How did you decide to incorporate implant treatment in your practice?  
**HARGREAVES:** We have always believed in dental implants but our decision became concrete when we attended the annual AAID meeting in 2002 in Los Angeles and met other members. The key person was Ed Mills who enlightened us about the organization and encouraged us to attend the MaxiCourse® in Atlanta.  
**BARBER:** Implant dentistry and implant surgery became a special emphasis for me in my oral and maxillofacial surgery practice from day one so I could restore a patient’s function and enhance their quality of life.

**HOCHBERG:** What is your educational background in implant dentistry?  
**HARGREAVES:** We learned about implants in dental school. Dr. John completed University of Texas San Antonio’s implant preceptorship in 1999. We both attended the AAID bone grafting course in Dayton, Ohio in 2003 and became involved with our local dental implant study club. We completed the MaxiCourse® in Atlanta, Georgia and passed the Associate Fellow written exam in 2003. We have continued to participate in many courses such as Dr. Mike Pikos’s bone grafting class, which we highly recommend and since then have been doing block grafting weekly.  
**BARBER:** In addition to my initial training during my 4 year residency in oral and maxillofacial surgery. I also took various dental implant training courses in the beginning, including the original Branemark implant courses. After my residency, my practice emphasized implant surgery and my research at the University of Michigan, University of Pennsylvania, and Temple University was in implant dentistry and reconstructive and
HOCHBERG: When and why did you join the AAID?

HARGREAVES: Dr. John joined as a dental student in 1998 because he was interested in learning about implant dentistry. Dr. Olinga joined in 2002 because she wanted to learn more about implants.

BARBER: I joined the AAID several years ago. I have been involved with the ABOI for many years and my involvement with the ABOI put me in contact with many great implant dentists and specialists. These doctors, like myself, loved implant dentistry. But more importantly, they were so willing to teach and share their knowledge and expertise in implant dentistry. Not to mention that they were just great people to be around.

BARBER: I decided two years ago to apply for Fellowship after my ABOI exam. As I decided back in 1996 when I took the ABOI examination, my career in oral and maxillofacial surgery and implant dentistry has emphasized learning as much as possible and being the best that I could be for my family and my patients. The next step for me in being the best that I could be was to be at the highest level in the AAID that I could be. And the past year I was awarded my Fellowship credential in Arizona at the AAID Annual Meeting.

HOCHBERG: How did you prepare for the examination? Describe your oral/case examination experience. What advice would you give to those considering applying for a credential in the AAID?

HARGREAVES: We prepared by taking the MaxiCourse® and studying various books such as authored by Dr. Misch. The oral/case examination was very stressful as the examiners could not elaborate on the difficult questions. The exam was very heavy on severe atrophy cases which we found above our skill level as an associate fellow. We feel that it’s a great challenge and great sense of accomplishment. The hard work causes you to gain competency and self confidence.

BARBER: Editor’s Note: Dr. Barber applied and met the requirements for Fellowship status by credentials as allowed under Article I; Section 2(D) of the AAID Bylaws based in part on having attained the ABOI/ID Diplomate status. Therefore, Dr. Barber was not required to take the AAID examinations.

HOCHBERG: What motivated you to pursue credentials in the Academy?

HARGREAVES: We respect the Academy and believe in the credentials. We wanted to be regarded as competent implant dentists. It allowed us to gain competence and establish camaraderie and support from the Academy.

BARBER: My advice regarding joining an implant organization is to observe how the organization emphasizes education and training, how the organization supports its members with courses, research funding, peer-reviewed publications, and legal issues that its members may encounter. And also observe who is already involved as members in the implant organization. If the leaders in the field of implant dentistry are involved in an organization, there is no lack of credibility. The AAID for me, fits all of these criteria.

HOCHBERG: What are your future goals with respect to implant dentistry and how will your AAID membership help you accomplish these goals?

HARGREAVES: Continue to challenge ourselves and pursue fellowship and diplomate status. Through AAID we can learn new information and techniques and gain from other’s experience. Eventually, we want to limit our practice to implant dentistry.

BARBER: My future goals with respect to implant dentistry are to continue to learn and evolve my implant surgical practice with the continued changes in grafting and reconstructive procedures, continue to work with the ABOI and its Test Construction Committee, and as Vice-Chairman of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Temple

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consistent with the Board’s previous actions, the Board agreed to transfer $700,000 of the 2005 surplus to the Board Designated Reserve Fund. The Board again reiterated the need for the Finance Committee to determine whether any portion of the surplus should be allocated to the Research Foundation.

Dr. Gowey noted that he has prepared a special letter to AAID leaders encouraging their participation in the Academy’s joint meeting with the Irish Dental Association in furtherance of the Global Committee’s efforts.

The Membership Committee reported continued membership growth and that membership increased in 2005 by 9.8%. The Committee reported that three AAID Lunch and Learn sessions have been presented at U.S. dental schools and two others are pending. Each presenter at the Lunch and Learn used the PowerPoint presentation developed by the Membership and Education Committees and distributed membership brochures and applications along with a CD-ROM containing the last three issues of the Journal of Oral Implantology.

The Publications Committee reported on activities related to the Journal of Oral Implantology. Upon the Committee’s recommendation, the Board agreed to increase the amount of funding for color prints in JOI articles.

The Public Relations Committee reported that the primary purpose of the PR effort of AAID this year will be to increase awareness of the Academy with consumers. The Committee also recommended obtaining a publicist and the Board supported the committee’s recommendation to enlist the services of an outside publicist and increase the PR budget by $10,000 in order to conduct a PR and media training session.

The Study Clubs and Speakers’ Guild provided a progress report from the committee and noted that the requested changes to the web site were underway and should be continued.

Dr. Joel Rosenlicht noted that the originally planned meeting to be held in concert with the American College of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons in 2007 will be delayed until 2008.

In other business, the Board discussed the need for the Academy’s involvement in a humanitarian effort and noted that the Academy is one of the 12 dental organizations, and the only implant organization, that supports the National Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped (NFDH). This program serves people with disabilities and calls upon dentists to provide treatment at no costs.

Another humanitarian opportunity has developed during the past year based on the AAID’s relationship with the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry. The AADC has a program called Give Back a Smile (GBAS). This program’s mission is to provide cosmetic dental care at no cost to survivors of domestic violence and the AAID has been invited to participate in the program. Following discussion, the Board agreed to participate in this activity and to solicit volunteers from the AAID credentialed membership to provide implant treatment.

The Board considered the need to appoint a U.S.-based credentialed member as a co-director of an international MaxiCourse®. The Board referred the matter to the Education Committee with the request that it submit a report to the June Board meeting that addressed the co-director issue as well as whether an international course should have a certain percentage of U.S. faculty and the requirements for commercial involvement in the course.

Dr. Craig Cooper reported that the Past Presidents are considering the development of an amendment that is intended to prohibit new Associate Fellows who are inducted at the beginning of the Business Meeting from voting at that meeting. Dr. Lozada noted that the Loma Linda University implant program will celebrate its 30th anniversary this year and will conduct a special event. He asked the Academy to consider a donation. Dr. Gowey referred the matter to the Finance Committee for its review and recommendation.

The Board reviewed whether or not there should be a policy prohibiting the endorsement of candidates by currently elected AAID Officers. Dr. Gowey referred the matter to the Finance Committee for its review and recommendation.

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University Hospital; to continue to teach implant dentistry and implant surgery to our residents, with the hope that they will learn to appreciate and strive for excellence with this phase of their practices. The AAID and its many educational opportunities, training programs, and research funding will allow me tremendous opportunities to be the best that I can be.
Zimmer Dental Announces Launch of the Hex Lock™ Contour Abutment

Zimmer Dental Inc. recently announced the new Hex Lock Contour Abutment. Designed to work with Tapered Screw-Vent® implants, this new abutment helps to simplify the restoration process and minimize preparation time for clinicians and technicians while allowing for optimum esthetics. The product is a stock titanium abutment with a prepared margin for the Tapered Screw-Vent prosthetic line that mimics the profile of soft tissue, needing minimal modification and providing exceptional esthetic results. The abutment collar is contoured below the margin to create space for soft tissue without compromising strength or esthetics. This “prepared” abutment is well-suited for cement-retained restorations. It engages the internal hex of the implant forming a friction-fit connection with the Tapered Screw-Vent implant, thereby virtually eliminating micromovement between implant and abutment. In addition to offering a variety of cuff heights and emergence profiles, it also offers the ability to be used in both one- and two-stage surgical protocols and can be removed for modification at a later date if changes to the prosthesis are desired.

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dentists who are experienced and on the leading edge to teach you how to take your implant practice to new levels and achieve more than you’ve ever imagined. This is one area everyone can benefit from and the pearls they offer can make a huge difference in your practice.

Please register now and make your hotel reservations in Chicago for our annual meeting in October. The hotel always sells out early. Don’t be left out! You don’t want to miss this year’s meeting!!

Dr. Plooster and Dr. Molzan have two of the top performing implant practices in the country. They know what you need to know to reach their level of performance and have put together this meeting for you!! Please join us in Chicago and support your organization with your attendance. The greater our attendance, the more exhibitors we can have and continue to improve our educational offerings at our meetings. Help make this the best year ever for the AAID. I look forward to seeing you in Chicago!!
THANK YOU

TO OUR GENEROUS DONORS FROM THE AAID RESEARCH FOUNDATION

A special thanks to the following generous donors for their contributions to the AAID Research Foundation between January 1 and December 31, 2005. We regret any omissions. If you believe your name should appear and does not, please contact the Chief Financial Officer, Afshin Alavi at the Headquarters Office. We encourage all members of AAID to contribute to the AAID Research Foundation.

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The AAIID Research Foundation has established a new Memorial Endowment Fund so AAIID members can honor the memory of a loved one or celebrate a milestone in the family or of another member of the AAIID. When you make a contribution, the Foundation will notify you who designate your generosity and kind gesture. In addition, all contributors will be recognized in the Research Foundation section of the AAIID News along with the reason for the contribution.

The Foundation is grateful to the ABOI/ID and its individual Board Members for their generous $1,000 contribution to the Research Foundation Endowment Fund in memory of the Academy’s beloved past president, Dr. Paul Johnson.

For further information or to make a contribution, contact Afshin Alavi at 312-335-1550 or by fax at 312-335-9090 or by e-mail at Afshin@aaid-implant.org.
ANNUAL MEETING OFFERS MARKETING ADVICE

AAID’s 55th Annual Meeting will offer a full day of programming on marketing.

Following the Wednesday New Tools, Techniques and Technology programs, the Main Podium programs on Thursday, October 26 kick off in the morning with “Getting the Patient to the Office.” In the afternoon, the Main Podium programs on Thursday, October 26 continue with “Marketing: Getting the Patient to Agree.” You will learn what patients are looking for and guidance on “Getting the Patient to Say ‘Yes’.”

THURSDAY MORNING HIGHLIGHTS

9:00 – 10:00 am
Break Away Thinking – Taking Your Implant Practice to a New Level
Presented by Dr. David M. Vassos

What is the percentage of case acceptance in your office?
Why is it that some people can sell a Rolls Royce, while others can’t sell a Hyundai?

What is the common denominator of all those patients who do not accept treatment?

The answer is simple. It’s you. It’s your belief system. Without exception you always manifest your belief system.

The days of hanging up your shingle and expecting line-ups at your door are over. These are very competitive times and the public is becoming more aware, more educated and more demanding of better service and better results. Conventional business wisdom cannot help you keep pace with these rapid, unpredictable nerve shattering changes that are accelerating exponen-

11:00 – Noon
Getting the Patient to the Office
Presented by Dr. Craig Cooper

While implant treatment has benefits for a broad spectrum of patients, it is a requisite for the doctor that practices this type of dentistry to be as efficient as possible in attracting patients to his practice. This requires a thorough analysis and understanding of the demographics of the patient population that is most likely to need, afford and accept an implant prosthetic treatment plan. Dr. Cooper’s presentation will emphasize the patient demographics as well as the “do’s and don’ts” of how to promote your practice. The presentation will discuss patients that come to a dentist by both referral and from a marketing outreach direct to the public.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON HIGHLIGHTS

1:30 – 2:30 pm
TUNE INTO WIIFM – Tune out all other stations
Presented by Dr. Bill Blatchford

Today’s patients are more sophisticated and need a fresh approach. Learn how to engage the right side of the brain where all decisions are made. Learn the questions to ask which will engage the guest’s emotional decision making process. Learn the paradigms necessary for you to shift so your guests can see value in your services. See why education is not selling both in the hygiene arena and for dentist services. You will learn how to have patients share their values with you rather than you unsuccessfully departing your values and agenda on them.

2:30 – 3:30 pm
Patients Buy ‘Value’ Not Implants!
Presented by Dr. Dick Barnes

The most difficult thing in dentistry is not how to do an implant or crown-and-bridge, it’s how to get the patient to say “yes” to needed treatment. Dr. Dick Barnes will show you how to accomplish this in his presentation. His technique of case acceptance has been proven all over the world for years. It works every time and in every place. You will learn how to make implants a revenue source as a stand in your treatment planning.

4:30 – 5:30 pm
Making it Easy for Patients to Say “Yes”
Presented by Dr. Paul Homoly, CSP

This program is based on Dr. Paul Homoly’s newest book, Making it Easy for Patients to Say “Yes.” With the many recent technical advances in the clinical aspects of care, treatment plans are growing more complex and expensive, making case acceptance even more challenging than in continued on page 12
ADMISSIONS AND CREDENTIALS BOARD

2006 Examination Candidates: The Admissions and Credentials Board is preparing for the largest Associate Fellow examination in the Academy’s history. Seventy applicants have been scheduled for the oral/case part of the Associate Fellow examination, which will be held in Chicago, May 18 – 21. Three more applicants are on the alternate list and will be scheduled if cancellations occur. In addition, the Board will consider nine applications for Fellowship and one former Fellow who has applied for reinstatement.

This year’s candidates for Associate Fellowship are:

Vijailakshmi Acharya, BDS, MDS, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India
Mohamed Ikbal Ali, DDS, San Francisco, CA
Sahle Selassie Araya, BDS, MDS, Takoma Park, MD
Jeffrey J. Becker, DDS, MSD, Norwalk, OH
Robert H. Beckmann, DDS, Dallas, TX
Jason A. Berry, DDS, Granbury, TX
Bertrand A. Bonnick, DDS, Greensboro, NC
Thomas B. Bowen, DMD, Asheville, NC
Carl H. Boykin, DDS, Jackson, MS
Carl A. Bradley, DDS, Powell, TN
Peggy L. Budhu, DDS, Brooklyn, NY
Marcelo E. Calderon, DMD, Oceanside, NY
Mike E. Calderon, DMD, Oceanside, NY
Robert G. Castracane, DMD, New York, NY
Richard J. Chichetti, DMD, Tallahassee, FL
Andrew W. Chin, DDS, Cypress, CA
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Jawdat D. Dajani, DDS, Los Angeles, CA
William R. Dapper, DDS, San Clemente, CA
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Kevin A. Guze, DMD, Surrey, BC Canada
Douglas G. Hammond, DMD, MSD, Huntsville, AL
David Hickman, DDS, Caledon, ON, Canada
Ivan W. Ho, DDS, Laguna Hills, CA
Jason K. Hong, DMD, Reston, VA
Jennifer Jo Houck, DDS, Rock Hill, SC
Tsuneo Imanishi, DDS, Higashiosaka, Osaka, Japan
Constantin Izvanariu, DDS, Skokie, IL
Michael T. Jones, DMD, Raleigh, NC
Joseph S. Jung, DDS, Carrollton, TX
Kaveh M. Kanani, DDS, Woodland Hills, CA
Unmesh Vasant Karmarkar, BDS, Pune, Maharashtra, India
Linda C. Kotmel, DDS, Brooklyn, NY
David B. Lee, DDS, Silver Spring, MD
Spring, MD
Marc F. Lipkin, DMD, Souderton, PA
Savio Lourenco, BDS, Margoa, Goa, India
Malcolm D. Lowe, DDS, Salinas, CA
Ioannis E. Magnis, DDS, Bakersfield, CA
Daniel K. Marinic, DDS, Evanston, IL
Clyde A. Maxwell, Jr., DDS, Wilmington, DE
Ben Mokhtar, DDS, Jamaica, NY
Chandra Sekhar Nakka, BDS, MDS, Vikarabad, Andhra Pradesh, India
Richard C. Nguyen, DDS, Houston, TX
Thi Dang Nguyen, DDS, Lakewood, WA
Nicholas J. Nicastro, Jr., DDS, Port Jefferson Station, NY
Farid Noie, DDS, Webster, TX
Ratnadeep Patil, BDS, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
Linda M. Ribarich-Boehm, DMD, Oneida, NY
Trace H. Rutherford, DDS, Columbia, SC
Samir E. Ruvinov, DDS, St. Louis, MO
Sultan S. Salem, DDS, Levittown, NY
Niranjan M. Savani, DMD, Chalfont, PA
Jae-Hyun Shim, DDS, Gwangmyeong-Si, Gyeonggi-Do, South Korea
Nicholas J. Shubin, DDS, San Juan Capistrano, CA
Gerald H.H. Siu, BDS, Ma On Shan, Shatin, Hong Kong
Lucy B. Sloan, DDS, La Vergne, TN
Nitish Surathu, BDS, MDS, continued on page 13
Two new programs and exhibiting at the American Student Dental Association’s (ASDA) annual meeting are making the AAID better known to dental students.

Last year, 35 dental schools selected an undergraduate dental student to receive the AAID award that recognizes the student who demonstrated the most interest, academically and clinically, in implant dentistry. Each dental school selected its recipient, using its established procedures for such student awards.

In addition to a Certificate of Recognition, each award recipient receives a year’s free membership in the AAID and a complimentary registration at that year’s AAID Annual Meeting.

Over 300 dental students have attended four Lunch and Learn sessions hosted by the AAID and scheduled through the local chapter of the American Student Dental Association (ASDA). The dental schools at which Lunch and Learn sessions have been held and the AAID credentialed members who made presentations were:

- **Virginia Commonwealth University:** Adam Foleck, DMD
- **University of the Pacific:** Perry Bingham, DDS
- **Southern Illinois University:** Christopher Hughes, DMD
- **University of Florida:** Mark Cullen, DDS

Over lunches of pizza or subs, these AAID credentialed members discussed the scope and benefits of implant therapy, the AAID’s mission and the benefits of membership. Most of the attendees were juniors or seniors eager to learn more about implant dentistry. Each student received an AAID membership application and a CD-ROM with the last three issues of the Journal of Oral Implantology.

The AAID will exhibit at ASDA's 2006 Annual Meeting, which will be held in Baltimore in late summer. This will be the third year that the Academy has exhibited at ASDA’s meeting.

Help AAID keep you up to date!

Do you live or practice in an area affected by last fall's hurricanes? If so contact the Headquarters Office. Let us know whether we have your current contact information and how we might help you.

In addition, the Academy is using e-mail more frequently to communicate with members and to bring you important and timely information about implant dentistry. For example, each month, the Academy sends via e-mail the AAID eGram with information you need to know and we recently sent an alert about a tissue recall notice from the FDA.

A number of e-mails are being returned, especially from AOL and Yahoo users. If your e-mail is through either of those services, please inform AOL or Yahoo that e-mail you receive from aaid-implant.org is not “spam.”

If you are an AOL user, you can also go to Settings and click on Spam Controls. You should be able to add aaid-implant.org or adjust your setting to allow AAID e-mail.

Also, if you have another e-mail account other than AOL or Yahoo that we can use as your preferred e-mail, please let us know.

Thanks and feel free to contact us at any time.

### AAID National Officer Nomination

The Nominating Committee is currently accepting nominations for the office of AAID Secretary. A complete list of eligibility requirements can be found in the AAID Bylaws.

Please forward names for nomination by May 1, 2006 for review by the entire Nominating Committee to Dr. Kevin O'Grady at kogrady@oral-implants.cc
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Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India
Camran Tabib, DDS, Reseda, CA
Don G. Timpont, DDS, Charlotte, NC
Hitoshi Toshimori, DDS, Osaka, Osaka, Japan
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Test Construction Committee Meets

The Admissions and Credentials Board’s Test Construction Committee met in Chicago, February 3 – 5. This year’s committee includes Drs. Emile Martin, chairman, James Fagan, Dennis Flanagan, Richard Mercurio and Roger Plooster.

During this meeting, the 2006 written and oral/case examinations were developed with the guidance of Measurement Research Associates, the firm that provides psychometric services to the Academy.

Four More Written Examinations Scheduled

Four more written examinations have been scheduled since the 2006 examination schedule was published in the January 2006 AUID-NEWS. The new examinations dates and sites are: April 30, Diamond Bar, California; July 6, Irbid, Jordan; November 12, Irbid, Jordan; and December 8, New Delhi, India.

This brings to nine the number of written examinations this year. The complete 2006 examination schedule is posted on the Education/Credentials section of the AUID Web site – www.aaid.com.

Applications for examinations in the United States are due in the Headquarters Office 30 days before the examination date. For examinations in other countries, the deadline is 90 days in advance of the exam. All materials related to the Associate Fellow examination, including the application for the written exam, are posted on the web site or can be obtained by contacting Joyce Sigmon in the Headquarters Office.

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As of this writing, AAID credentialed members in California can advertise their AAID credential without restriction or disclaimers. That is according to Frank Recker, Attorney for the Academy representing the AAID in its lawsuits in California and Florida to allow credential members to publicly use their credentials.

Recker reports that all parties to the mediation in the federal court in California had reached agreement on new statutory language. However, the California Dental Association apparently changed its mind. “Whether or not the CDA now proceeds to push for the enactment of the [possible new legislation] or waits for the appeal to be decided, is unknown at this time,” Recker explained. “But at this point our credentials can be advertised without restriction or disclaimers,” he concluded.

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President Kim Gowey and Education Chairman John DaSilva have invited the AO to work with the AAID. Rather than continuing to work independently, the AAID has proposed that the two organizations work together toward their common goal: for the Commission on Dental Accreditation to recognize and accredit programs for advanced education in implant dentistry. The AO has not yet responded to the invitation.

Among the other items on the committee’s agenda were reports from the two international AAID co-sponsored MaxiCourses®, consideration of applications from three districts and four AAID Study Clubs for approval to award AAID continuing education credits for their 2006 programs and planning future continuing education activities.

**Bone Grafting Course**

There’s still time to register for the Academy’s highly acclaimed Cadaver Bone Grafting Course, which will be held June 9 – 10, 2006, at Wright State University School of Medicine in Dayton, Ohio. Course tuition is $1,995 for AAID members, $2,475 for non-member dentists and $150 for allied dental staff.

The course brochure, which was mailed to all AAID members early this year, is posted on the AAID web site. To enroll or for additional information, contact Joyce Sigmon in the Headquarters Office.

**Annual Meeting Committee:** On February 24, the Annual Meeting Committee met at the AAID Headquarters. Chaired by Frank LaMar, Sr., DDS, the Committee members present were Nicholas Caplanis, DMD, MS; Beverly Dunn, DDS; Kim Gowey, DDS; Shankar Iyer, DDS; Paul Johnson, DDS; Jaime Lozada, DDS; Emile Martin, DDS; Arthur Molzan, DDS; and Roger Plooster, DDS.

The Committee decided to expand the time for each Main Podium Program at the Annual Meeting to one hour so that those attending can gain more knowledge from each presentation. In addition, the Committee will encourage Main Podium presenters to provide even more in depth discussion as a Lunch and Learn presenter.

Because of the popularity of the Limited Attendance programs at past annual meetings, the Committee decided to add two new Limited Attendance sessions at the 55th Annual Meeting. In order to provide something for everyone, a program entitled “I’m Interested in Implants – What’s Next?” will be offered. Bruce Baird, DDS will lead the half-day program. This program is geared for dentists just starting their implant education.

The Annual Meeting will host a Poster Session to give attendees exposure to as much information as possible in an easily accessible manner.

Over 120 exhibitors are expected at the Annual Meeting and each will be encouraged to provide attendees with an AAID Annual Meeting Only Discounts. So plan to bring your checkbook or credit card to take advantage of these one-time only opportunities.

**Board of Trustees:** The Academy Board of Trustees met on February 4. Detailed information about the discussions and decisions at the meeting can be found beginning on page 2. Highlights of the action taken at the meeting include approval of an ambitious public relations campaign to make the Academy better known to consumers who need implant services and the decision to increase the Academy’s involvement with the Give Back a Smile program administered by the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry.
AAID DISTRICTS HOST MEETINGS

Western and Central District’s 1st International Congress a great success

The Western and Central Districts hosted the 1st International Congress of the AAID with the Mexican Dental Association in Puerto Vallarta, March 30 through April 1st. Presenters included: Dr. Jaime Lozada (USA), Dr. Ricardo Mitrani (Mexico), Dr. Eduardo Anitua (Spain), Dr. Joel Rosenlicht (USA), Dr. Alejandro James (Mexico), and Dr. Scott Keith (USA).

The presentation focused on the scientifically based guidelines which ensure clinical success with immediate loaded restorations. Key elements of interdisciplinary clinical communications as well as laboratory communication was addressed for maxilla edentulous treatment. Advanced surgical and prosthodontic concepts utilizing innovative implant systems was also presented. How grafting procedures can significantly improve esthetic outcomes was also addressed. Members from both districts and Mexico were able to relax and relate to implant dentistry! The Central District officers look forward to meeting with district members again at the AAID 2006 Annual Meeting in Chicago.

Northeast District – May 12 – 13 – Boston (for more information visit www.aaid-ne2006.org)

The presentations will focus on prosthetic treatment planning, combining traditional approaches with new techniques. A thorough understanding of anatomy enhanced with the power of bone manipulation provides an efficient tool for achieving predictable esthetic and functional results.

O. Hilt Tatum, Jr., DDS heads a list of outstanding speakers and practitioners at the 2006 Northeastern District Meeting to be held May 12 – 13 in Boston. Joining Dr. Tatum for the conference which is themed “Prosthetically Driven Excellence” will be Jerry Soderstrom, DDS, Mark Davis, DMD and Stuart Orton-Jones, BDS. Also presenting will be Stephen Swallow, DDS, John Minichetti, DMD, Brian Jackson, DDS and Ashok Patel, DMD.

Southern District – June 22 – 24 – Charleston, South Carolina
The conference presentations will provide innovative communications skills, along with scientifically based guidelines to ensure advanced surgical techniques for preserving and restoring natural hard and soft tissue esthetics in implant therapy. In addition, the final day of the conference will be dedicated to Bone Manipulation to create the ideal sites for implants.

Presenters include O. Hilt Tatum, Jr., DDS on Bone Grafting and Manipulation techniques. Paul Homoly, DDS will conduct a Case Acceptance Workshop. Lee H. Silverstein, DDS, MS will lecture on Periodontal Plastic Surgery. Nicholas Caplanis, DMD, MS will present a lecture on Hard and Soft Tissue Synergy.

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