

The Southern Academy of Periodontology

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New Venue...Same Exceptional Value

President's Message

Dr. Jeffrey Taylor

Our 91st annual meeting of the Southern Academy of Periodontology will be held at the Hammock Beach Resort in Palm Coast, Florida, June 23-26. At this meeting we will continue our tradition of offering our members fantastic educational opportunities at beautiful resorts in a family friendly atmosphere.



The Hammock Beach Resort promises to be a location that suits our needs well. Located just south of St. Augustine, it has what our members have always reported as their favorite things: a premier resort with beach, swimming pool and golf within easy reach of their accommodations. At the heart of the resort is the Fantasy Water Pavilion consisting of four pools with a lazy river and water slides. Just beyond the pools is a fairway of the Ocean Course and across the fairway is a pristine Atlantic beach. It makes for an incredible view from the resort. If you are a golfer you will have access to 36 holes; the Ocean Course designed by Jack Nicklaus and the Conservatory designed by Tom Watson. All the rooms in the resort are spacious suites, which should make the stay of families with children a little more comfortable than a traditional hotel room. Additionally, there is a spa, Kids Crew, the Tennis Center and the Marina at Hammock Beach. Please check out the web site, HammockBeach.com, and see for yourself. I think you will be as excited as I am about this location.

At this meeting the Southern Academy of Periodontology will continue our tradition of offering top tier speakers at incredible prices. Our line-up of speakers at our events since 2008 are a Who's Who of Periodontology: Dr. Paul Fugazzotto, Dr. Pat Allen, Dr.

Stephen Wallace, Dr. William Giannobile, Dr. Dennis Tarnow, Dr. Ray Yukna, Dr. Myron Nevins, Dr. Michael McGuire, Dr. Steven Offenbacher, Dr. Gary Greenstein and Dr. John Cavallaro. All of these meetings have presented opportunities for our members to access valuable continuing education hours from excellent speakers for what are really bargain prices. This summer we continue that format with Dr. Jim Janakievski, Dr. Vincent Kokich, Jr. and Dr. Dan Holtzclaw. On Friday and Saturday Dr. Janakievski and Dr. Kokich will focus on the ortho/perio aspects of dentistry. On Sunday Dr. Holtzclaw will present information about a new protein enriched membrane for guided tissue regeneration.

At this meeting as with all our summer meetings, all the events will be children friendly. It is one of the unique things about the SAP that hopefully will never change. I look forward to seeing my children renew friendships that are rekindled each summer at the SAP annual meeting.

It is a privilege to serve as President of the SAP and I want to thank all the people who give of their time and talents to make the SAP such a fantastic organization. This includes not only the current members of the Executive Council (all of whom are listed on the inside back cover of this newsletter) who are working hard to prepare for this year's meeting, but all the many people who have served the SAP in the past and built such a fine organization and passed it on to us. Also, I would like to thank Cindy and Duke Miller for the fine job they do as team working on behalf of the SAP. Their performance has pushed the SAP to a new level of excellence.

Lastly, I would like to encourage you to get involved in the SAP. Just contact any member of the Executive Council and tell them you want to serve on a committee. There is plenty work to do to maintain our SAP in these difficult times for our profession.

State News of Note

Florida

Two big issues facing us this year are licensing and insurance reimbursement. The Florida Dental Association (FDA) Board of Trustees (BOT) voted on December 3, 2010 to join the American Board of Dental Examiners (ADEX) and utilize ADEX's dental licensure exam (known as ADLEX) as Florida's own exam and to use ADEX's American Dental Hygiene Licensure Exam (ADHLEX) as Florida's dental hygiene licensure exam. Currently, we will maintain Florida-licensed examiners for exams given in Florida. We will continue to operate as an "independent" state – not a part of a "regional" examination organization. This was adopted by the FDA House of Delegates at our meeting in January 2011. Ultimately, a decision by the Board of Dentistry (BOD) and legislative action will be required prior to implementation.

Another issue to be decided legislatively is the reimbursement of non-covered services by insurance companies. Many states have already legislated (as it should be) that insurance companies cannot contractually set fees for services that they do not cover (DUH!) This was accepted last year by our Legislators; however, the other priority issues and committee timing did not allow passage. This year we have an earlier start on the process and will push for positive legislation.

There is a move in Florida to increase the number of dental schools – 1, state-supported and 2, privately-funded. The state-supported school is Florida A&M University (FAMU) in Tallahassee. They have approval to pursue a feasibility study; however, that has not been completed. The two privately-funded schools are for-profit schools and have every right to be here; however, we have the responsibility to protect the citizens of Florida against sub-standard care. Much of the education may be online and the amount and location of clinical experience is currently unknown.

We have our annual Dentist's Day on the Hill scheduled in Tallahassee on March 30, 2011. We expect 200-300 dentists to attend and meet individually with their legislators to discuss dental issues before the legislature.

Dr. Gregg Langston

Virginia

The Virginia Society Of Periodontists is excited to host Dr. Michael Glick, D.M.D., the editor of the Journal of the American Dental Association and Dean of the School of Dental Medicine, University at Buffalo for our annual educational program on Friday May 6th, 2011 in Richmond, Virginia. His topic for our program will be titled "Medically Complex Dental Patients: The Role of the Dentist". Members and non-members of the VSOP may contact Dr. Joy Moretti at Dr.JoyMoretti@perio.org or (804)-794-8745 for more information about the meeting.

In regard to activity with the Board of Dentistry in the state of Virginia, the ADA and Virginia dental community are closely following a request by the Virginia Association of Nurse Anesthetists (VANA). The VANA is proposing amendments to the Board of

Dentistry Draft Regulations about conscious sedation and general anesthesia. As it presently stands, assistants in administration of anesthesia may be another dentist, anesthesiologist, certified nurse anesthetist, dental hygienist, dental assistant or nurse.

The VANA wants to limit the anesthesia assistant role to another dentist, anesthesiologist and CRNA's exclusively. You would be required to have one of the three above professionals as part of your conscious sedation team. Various dental organizations, along with the ADA, do not want our current regulations changed. These

amendments would significantly impact the way dentists are providing conscious sedation in their offices in the state of Virginia. The VANA has a total of four amendments which they have proposed. If you would like more information about this very important topic, please contact Laura Givens at Givens@vadental.org.

Dr. Joy S. Moretti

Kentucky

It has been an extremely busy time in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The activity started in the summer of 2009 with an announcement by the Kentucky Board of Dentistry to rewrite the entire Dental Practice Act. The Board decided the 142 year-old Practice Act was difficult to read and interpret because the facts were scattered throughout. The Director of the Board set out to write and rewrite the Practice Act with limited consultation from a Board-appointed Legislative Committee. This included a total change of the Sedation and Anesthesia Regulations. The Board chose Sedation Regulations from another state without consideration as to how the Regulations would affect all sedation dentists within the state. Many of us felt the new Regulations were verbose and over-regulated. Since the Board's Legislative Committee did not have adequate expertise in sedation, the President of the Kentucky Dental Association appointed a multi-disciplinary committee to help rewrite the Sedation Regulations. Dr. Leslie Horn and I worked on this committee.

After numerous emails, meetings and phone calls, we wrote a comprehensive, modern sedation document. One area of disagreement was the use of continuous EKG monitoring for both enteral and parenteral moderate sedation. We decided to closely follow the 2007 ADA Guidelines for Use of Sedation and General Anesthesia by Dentists which states EKG monitoring should be considered in patients with significant cardiac disease. This document currently stands as an Emergency Regulation and it will have another hearing process on March 29, 2011. The Board has recognized our hard work and has asked us to remain as an Advisory Committee to the Board.

The Board also wrote in a regulation to allow hygienists to use lasers for debridement. With the help of Dr. Andy Duckett and the AAP, I testified at a Board hearing to express the periodontists' concerns with this delegated duty. My main argument was the lack of science for this treatment modality. As of this writing, the Board has appointed a committee to discuss this procedure as well as training requirements for the hygienists to use lasers. We are grateful Drs. Henry Greenwell and Mark Thomas are representing us on this committee. I am hopeful this process will not only help Kentucky dentists, but other states as well. This experience has shown me that when we work together in organized dentistry, we can make changes and accomplish many things to help our practices and ultimately, our patients.

Dr. Elisa J. Pape

Alabama

Greetings from Alabama. Periodontists here have had an interesting year on the political front. In the Summer of 2010, it came to our attention that the Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama was considering the creation of expanded duties for dental auxiliaries. The Board told us that they were seeking expanded duties as an answer to the problem of poor "access to dental care." Some of the expanded duties that were considered included the use of local anesthesia and lasers for sulcular debridement by dental hygienists. Several of us in the periodontal community met with members of the State Board to express our opposition to most of the new proposals. I was able to share a position paper and a short PowerPoint presentation to express our concerns. In particular, we stressed our

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Collaborative Approach Focus of Southern Academy Annual Meeting 2011

Hammock Dunes Resort, Palm Coast, Florida, June 23-26, 2011

The Interdisciplinary Team:

A Collaborative Approach to Optimize Treatment Outcomes for Our Orthodontic Patients

Jim Janakievski, DDS, MSD, and Vincent Kokich, Jr., DMD, MSD

Friday, June 24, 8:30 a.m. - Noon and Saturday, June 25, 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



Dr. Janakievski

Drs. Jim Janakievski and Vincent Kokich team up on Friday and Saturday to bring you this scientific session focussing on the close interdisciplinary relationship & treatment challenges of interest to both the periodontist and orthodontist.

Both our growing and adult patients can often present with treatment challenges that include injured maxillary incisors, ectopic impactions, congenitally missing teeth and altered levels of periodontal attachment. Treatment can often be complex and requires the coordination of care between multiple clinicians to achieve an optimal aesthetic outcome. Surgical exposure of impacted teeth should be handled according to specific criteria to help simplify the orthodontic phase. Patients with congenitally missing teeth, or teeth requiring extraction should be considered for space and alveolar ridge management. Injured maxillary incisors may require special attention to decide future treatment. Altered gingival levels or a reduced periodontium can often benefit from a combined approach to treatment.



Dr. Kokich

Jim Janakievski received his D.D.S. from the University of Toronto, which was followed by a general practice residency. After several years in general practice, he completed his post-graduate training at the University of Washington where he received a certificate in Periodontology with a M.S.D. degree and a fellowship in Prosthodontics. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology, serves as an Affiliate Assistant Professor in the department of Periodontology at the University of Washington and maintains a private practice in Tacoma, Washington with his partner Dr. David Mathews.

Vince Kokich Jr. received his dental degree from Tufts University and his masters in Orthodontics from the University of Washington where he teaches part time as an Affiliate Assistant Professor in the Department of Orthodontics. He has received the Charles L. Pincus Research Award for Clinical Research from the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry and his current research and publications are primarily involved with esthetic, interdisciplinary dentistry. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontists, and a member of the Angle Society and American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry. He maintains a private orthodontic practice in Tacoma, Washington.

Special Member-Guest Offer Available for This Meeting

The collaborative emphasis of this meeting is an excellent opportunity for you to include your professional referrals as your guests at a special discount from the standard non-member rate. You can bring a guest to the meeting at the same rate as members.

Amnion Chorion Allograft, a Protein Enriched Membrane For use in Guided Tissue Regeneration and Site Preservation

Dan J. Holtzclaw, DDS, MS

Sunday, June 26, 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



Dr. Holtzclaw

Sponsored by Snoasis Medical, the Sunday presentation will review the background scientific properties of placental allografts, review immunohistochemistry analysis of amnion chorion membrane (BioXclude™, Snoasis Medical) and its application and outcomes in the treatment of periodontal defects with guided tissue regeneration (GTR) and site preservation following tooth extraction. Attendees will learn: 1) the scientific merits of placental allograft tissue as a basis for regenerative products, 2) indications where the use of amnion chorion membrane should be considered, 3) how to properly use amnion chorion membranes in GTR and site preservation, and 4) the unique clinical benefits they provide to the patient and clinician.

Dan Holtzclaw maintains a private practice limited to periodontics and dental implants in Austin, TX. He is a diplomate of both the American Board of Periodontology and the International Congress of Oral Implantologists. Dr. Holtzclaw currently serves as the Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Implant & Advanced Clinical Dentistry and is an editorial board member of the Journal of Cosmetic Dentistry. He has published over 20 articles in peer reviewed journals relating to various aspects of periodontics and implant dentistry.

Register now by completing the form on the next page, or log on to www.periosouth.org.

Events Schedule

Thursday, June 23th

- 7:30 a.m. Budget Committee
- 8:30 a.m. EC Breakfast Meeting
- 12:00 noon EC Luncheon
- 1:00 p.m. Registration, Setup Exhibits and Pennel Posters
- 5:00 p.m. Corporate Advisory Board
- 5:30 p.m. Reception for Exhibitors
- 6:00 p.m. President's Welcome Reception (Light Hors d'ouvres)
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Activities

Friday, June 24th

- 7:30 a.m. Registration
Pennel Posters
Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors
- 8:00 a.m. Business Meeting
- 8:30 a.m.- Scientific Session:
12:00 p.m. Dr. Jim Janakievski & Dr. Vincent Kokich, Jr
- 1:00 p.m. Golf Tournament
- 1:30 p.m. Tennis Tournament
- 6:15 p.m. 25-Year Club departs for Reception & Dinner Cruise
- 7:00 p.m. Pennel Winners and New Members Reception and Dinners

Saturday, June 25th

- 7:00 a.m. Registration
Pennel Posters
Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors
- 8:00 a.m. AAP Caucus
- 8:30 a.m.- Scientific Session:
1:30 p.m. Dr. Jim Janakievski & Dr. Vincent Kokich, Jr.
- 9:15 a.m. Break with Exhibitors
Door Prize Drawings
- 1:00 p.m. Executive Committee Lunch
- 6:00 p.m. Cocktail Reception (Cash Bar)
Children's Activities
- 7:00 p.m. Dinner & Awards

Sunday, June 26th

- 7:00 a.m. Past President's Breakfast
- 7:30 a.m. EC Breakfast Meeting
- 7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. General Assembly and Installation of Officers
- 9:00 a.m. Scientific Session:
Dr. Dan Holtzcaw
Sponsor: Snoasis Medical
- 1:00 p.m. Adjourn

Resort Information

The Hammock Dunes Resort, an all-suite hotel, is located directly on the Atlantic Ocean in Palm Coast, Florida, twelve miles south of St. Augustine, just off I-95. The reservations number is (888) 246-5500. Please mention you're with the Southern Academy of Periodontology. One night's deposit is required. Our group rate is \$250. You can register for your rooms on line, directly with the hotel. There is a link to this service on the SAP Home Page at www.periosouth.org. Note: The Academy room block contains a limited number of rooms. It will be closed when filled or on May 21. Rooms are then subject to availability at prevailing rates. The cancellation policy is 14 days prior to arrival date.

Special Member-Guest Offer For This Meeting

The collaborative emphasis of this meeting is an excellent opportunity for you to include your professional referrals as your guests at a \$200 discount from the standard, non-member rate. If you include a guest, please provide their information in the form below where indicated. Guests must be accompanied by an Academy member.

Registration Form

Name _____ Email _____

Spouse _____ Phone _____

Children Names & Ages _____

Guest Name _____ Email _____

Spouse _____ Phone _____

Children Names & Ages _____

Member or Professional Guest Single: \$415 Couple (Incl. children under 3): \$495 Family: \$595 \$ _____

If you are not an Academy member, there is a Non-Member Surcharge: \$225 \$ _____

Annual Golf Tournament, Box Lunch, Greens Fees and Prizes: \$125 \$ _____

Annual Tennis Tournament, Court Fees and Prizes: \$35 \$ _____

25-Year Club Member's Annual Reception and Dinner Cruise, Per Person: \$55 \$ _____

Residents or Perio Graduate Directors: N/C

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Register online at www.periosouth.org or complete this form and return with remittance in full to:

The Southern Academy of Periodontology, P. O. Box 1988, Anna Maria, FL 34216

Cancellation Policy: Prior to June 9, 2011, \$25 service fee. There are no refunds for cancellations June 9, and beyond.

What's In a Name

Your Academy at Work

By Dr. Steve Daniel

It is with pleasure and no small amount of trepidation that I assume authorship of the "Your Academy at Work" column. So ably written by John Crosland these last six years, I will risk an overused metaphor and say he leaves big shoes to fill. John, thanks for all you have done, including this column.

Let's start with two definitions:

Academy- An association or institution for the advancement of art, literature or science.

Association-An organization of people with a common purpose and having a formal structure.

In John's last column he posed the question whether the time has come for a "periodontal association for actively practicing periodontists" and went on to describe on which areas of concern such an association might focus its energy. This has been the subject of much discussion, formal and informal, at the Board of Trustees meetings I have attended these past three years. Almost always a distinction is made between an "association", which is seen as a politically active organization aggressively promoting and defending the needs of its members, and an "academy", which is seen as a science or research-based organization with little interest in the world of dental politics. I never questioned this distinction until I looked up each word. The five or so definitions I found for each of these words on Dictionary.com (I chose the one for each that seemed most appropriate) seem not to differ so much. So does such a distinction matter?

Words have power. Anyone who quotes the old "Sticks and stones may break my bones..." nonsense didn't go to the same dental school I attended. The question most often asked in Chicago is not should there be a separate organization but should the American Academy of Periodontology become the American Association of Periodontists. The implication is that an association would be more in tune with the needs of its members and more likely to effectively enter the arena of dental politics to protect and expand the scope of practice of those members.

Perhaps. Perhaps a name change would signal to our members and the dental community at large that a sea change had occurred within our group. The result could be renewed energy and focus to help move our organization, and our specialty, forward.

I would, however, answer my friend's question as to whether the time has come for a separate "periodontal association" with a resounding "no". We should not divide our forces or our resources. The AAP has about 8500 members in all membership categories. The number of those members who can vote in AAP elections, the active and retired actives, is 4638 (849 of those are in District III). The ADA has 157,000 members and the AGD about 35,000. Orthodontists, pediatric dentists and oral surgeons outnumber periodontists as well. We do still have the edge on endodontists and prosthodontists. We need more than numbers.

I would argue that in order to bring to our members the things they want and need we, the AAP, must remain relevant to the rest



of organized dentistry. Whether as an academy or association we must be the organization to which other dental organizations and the public turn for information about inflammatory periodontal disease and implants. We must be at the forefront of new technologies and techniques that make the work we do easier and more predictable for our patients. We must identify new areas into which we can expand our scope of practice (peri-implant disease, which is growing by leaps and bounds, is right in our wheelhouse and promises to be a huge opportunity for the periodontist) and do so! And where does all this begin? With the science. Without good science we don't know which technologies to embrace and which to ignore. Without good science there is just opinion. Science is our foundation.

What should be built on this foundation? A politically savvy organization that does not shy away from advocating the needs of our members and our patients. To do this we must build and maintain relationships with the ADA, AGD and the other specialty organizations. We must constantly monitor what goes on at the state level (where most of the decisions that affect our members are made) and be prepared to provide expertise and assistance when needed. We must maintain a seat at the table in all the committees where decisions affecting our specialty are made. Over ten years ago when I attended my first AAP Leadership Conference the case was made for more involvement with organizations such as the ADA and state dental boards. Today there are more periodontists on the ADA Board of Trustees than any other specialty (the recent addition of Dr. Hilton Israelson brings the number to 5 out of 17) and we continue to see more periodontists serving on their state Boards of Dentistry. Is there more to be done? Always! But AAP leadership has for some time realized that decisions affecting periodontics are going to be made whether or not we are in the room. To that end we will always try to be in that room, advocating for our members and our specialty.

I suspect for many of you struggling to rebuild your practice after the economic pounding we have taken these past 2-3 years such talk of dental politics seems misplaced. You likely have little use for such things as CODA and CDEL, even though these Councils, respectively, oversee our dental schools and training programs and, in the case of CDEL, the very existence of our specialty. Your Board of Trustees is also working on a number of fronts to raise the profile of periodontics and the periodontist in the minds of the public and to put tools into the hands of our members that can be used to reach out to their restorative colleagues and the public to build their practices:

- The Task Force for General Dentist Outreach continues to work on two fronts: quarterly articles in *PerioSouth News* (and available on perio.org) outline successful strategies being employed by your colleagues in their offices today to create new referral relationships, strengthen existing relationships and raise their profile in their communities. We are also continuing our work with Lanmark to achieve placement of articles in dental trade publications em-

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concerns over the efficacy of the proposed changes, the safety of expanded auxiliary duties, and the fact that these changes would likely have no effect on improving access to dental care. I am very thankful to the AAP, the AGD, and other organizations for some of the resources that we used in creating the paper and the slides. By the way, we shared these documents with Dr. Elisa Pape in Kentucky when the State Board there sought similar changes.

Fortunately, our Board of Dental Examiners met with each specialty group and held a public forum which led them to abandon their proposed changes to the dental practice act "for now." The Alabama Dental Association has now been charged with studying the need or desire for expanded duty auxiliaries. We do not expect any proposals to change the dental practice act in the near future.

However, future threats to the scope of practice of periodontics remain imminent. In reality, expanding duties of dental hygienists to include lasers, etc. requires only a simple majority vote of our Board of Dental Examiners in our state. Legislative changes would not even be required. This recent issue has made me aware of the fact that we must keep constant tabs on the activities and agendas of our regulatory boards. Furthermore, we should be familiar with our dental practice acts, and we need to have good resources to combat these threats.

Over the years, I have found membership in the Southern Academy to be invaluable. Knowing the problems faced by other states and personally knowing people that I can contact for advice has been a great benefit. I would encourage each of you to remain active in organized dentistry – in particular the AAP, the Southern Academy, and your state periodontal society. Thanks for the opportunity to serve on the Executive Council of the SAP for the past several years. Please let me know if I can be of any service to you!

Dr. Andy Duckett

Georgia

Great things are happening in Georgia. Our Georgia Society of Periodontists continues to provide grass roots representation to the AAP as well as great CE Programs for its members and guests. This year the popular Winter Hygiene meeting in February featured the assistant Dean of Academic Affairs from The Ohio State University Ms. Cheryl DeVore who spoke about current trends in dental law and how that applies to our everyday practice. Our next scheduled meeting is to be our yearly business meeting at the GDA conference in Hilton Head in July. Please check our web site for details. (www.gasperio.org) GSP leadership from 2010 to 2012 includes: Dr. Mark Brunner as President, Dr. Connie Drisko as Secretary, and Dr. Ginger Kirkland as Treasurer.

Dr. Mark Brunner

Tennessee

[The following is on the retirement of Dr. Hiram Fry from the University of Tennessee.]

Dr. Hiram Fry was born and raised in Jerome, Idaho. As a young man he developed a keen interest in music and in high school ultimately formed a "Western" style band in which he played the steel guitar. While in college at the University of Idaho he continued playing music, earning a whopping \$25 dollars per week, and working as a house boy and dishwasher at Ridenbaugh Women's Co-op House. Additionally, he was part of a local radio show on KRPL called "The Round Up Party Room." After completing his BS in Zoology in 1955, he enrolled in the Washington University College of Dentistry, where many teachers had a deeply profound effect on his life. He received his dental degree in 1959 and was the recipient from that University in 2009 of the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

In 1959 he enlisted in the United States Air Force as a Captain in the Dental Corps. Early in his military career, he met Dr's. Claude Nabors and Timothy O'Leary, two large figures in periodontics at that time. Both of these men would have a great influence on his eventual decision to seek graduate training in periodontics. After a year of dental internship at Wilford Hall Air Force Base he completed a tour of duty in Lybia. Upon returning to the States, he was assigned to duty at Adiar Air Force Station in Oregon. It was here he met his future wife Barbara. The next assignment took he and his new bride to Kadena Air Force Base in Okinawa, Japan. They were stationed there from 1969 to 1971 at which time he returned to the States to begin his graduate training in periodontics at the Ohio State University. After completing his master's degree in 1974, he returned to Wilford Hall to begin his service as Assistant Chairman in charge of the Resident Education in Periodontics until his retirement from the Air Force in 1979.

After his retirement from military service, Dr. Fry decided to pursue a career in education since so many educators from his undergraduate years through dental school and the military had so positively influenced his career. Soon thereafter a random occurred between he and Dr. Bernard Rainey, then Chairman of the Periodontics Department at the University of Tennessee. Dr. Rainey informed him the Department was looking for a Director for the Graduate Program and encouraged him to apply. After consultation with his wife, he applied for the position. During his interview, a large snow storm blew through Memphis, which made him feel right at home considering his younger days growing up in Idaho. Dr. Fry was selected for the position and immediately began to develop the program calling on the influences from former mentors such as Dr's Charlie Solt, Dan Laughlin, Rolan Meffert and Jack Maybury. When deciding to challenge the American Board of Periodontology he was having some reservations as he thought it would be like completing more years of residency program. His wife's comment "you wouldn't want to not do it would you?" help sway his decision and he became a Diplomat of the American Board of Periodontology. Dr. Fry directed the Program for over thirty years. Over his fifty-two year career in Dentistry, Dr. Fry has received many awards. However, as was his experience with so many great teachers, life-long learning and teaching remains one of his greatest accomplishments.

Recently on a visit to his office at The University of Tennessee, I viewed four binders of pictures, letters and notes from his former students and mentors. Over his thirty year career as Graduate Director, he has trained sixty five residents. Of those, the majority have become private practicing clinicians. Some have or are engaged in academic careers. Three became Departmental Chairs, a few have become Graduate Program Directors, two are Directors of the American Board of Periodontology and several have are Diplomates of the American Board of Periodontology. Most remain among his closest friends. He greatly enjoys the chance to interact with many of them at the Program reunions held at the Annual AAP meetings.

It is said that a mark of a successful teacher is to have one's students equal or exceed them. By that measure Dr. Fry has been an enormously successful mentor, not only to his students, but to the faculty that have served with him.

Dr. Fry and his wife Barbara have four children, twelve grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Among his hobbies are gardening, fishing and golf, although he has had some very unpleasant experiences arise around both! Around Memphis rumor even has it he has gotten out his ole steel guitar and is starting up the Nursing Home Country Band.

Dr. Les Binkley

Your Academy at Work (Cont'd. from p. 5)

phasizing the value of collaborative care to the restorative doctor and their patients.

- The Task Force is developing free, customizable PowerPoint presentations for use in study clubs, on member web sites, etc.

- We continue to provide articles, on a quarterly basis, for Dimensions of Dental Hygiene, a professional publication which reaches approximately 70,000 RDH's.

- The AAP hosted, in April, the first of its Collaborative Care Conferences. Designed for our members to bring their restorative colleagues, the program emphasized the team approach to solve complicated perio/restorative problems. At this writing (March) over 500 of your colleagues and their guests are registered. We are already planning the 2012 conference.

- The AAP Foundation is partnering with the Academy to fund its consumer outreach-public education efforts.

With so much to do and so much at stake I do not believe we need to divide our forces and resources. Should we change our name to become an "association" instead of an "academy"? I'm fine with that although I believe we are already moving in the direction of what most people describe as the actions of an "association". I mentioned that old saw about "sticks and stones...". Let me close with another bit of wisdom: "actions speak louder than words." What the AAP does matters more than what we call ourselves. I assure you that your Board will continue to take action that advocates in the strongest way possible for our patients, our members and our specialty.

Upcoming Meetings

2011 Annual Meeting

June 23-26

Hammock Beach Resort
Palm Coast, FL

2012 Winter Seminar

January 27-29

W Hotel, Buckhead
Atlanta, GA

2012 Annual Meeting

June 21-24, 2012

Amelia Island Plantation
Amelia Island, FL

2013 Winter Seminar

January 25-27

(Venue TBA)
Charlotte, NC

2013 Annual Meeting

January 20-23

South Seas Plantation
Captiva, Island, FL

2014 Annual Meeting

June 19-22

Westin Resort & Spa
Hilton Head Island, SC

Welcome to the Summer Meeting!

As anyone who had been to a Southern Academy summer meeting will tell you, there is much more to the meeting than just continuing education. Held at one of the premier destinations in eastern Florida, there promises much for you to do. The Hammock Beach Resort is just off I-95, fifteen miles south of St. Augustine. It's located along an isolated stretch of the Atlantic, and is a unique venue the whole family will greatly enjoy.



Thursday afternoon, the meeting begins with a welcome reception for all associated with the meeting, including family, friends, and vendors. The reception provides a relaxed atmosphere for everyone to meet new people, and catch up with old friends. After the meeting Friday morning, the afternoon will be reserved for relaxation. There are sure to be many openings for the golf and tennis tournaments held this afternoon. People with all levels of skill are encouraged to attend. Also, with the beach nearby, having your toes in the sand is not a bad idea either. Dinner Friday evening is on your own, unless you are a new member or member of the 25-Year Club. If you fall into one of these categories, I encourage you to check on times and location at the beginning of the meeting during registration.

After our meeting on Saturday, which ends at 1:00p.m, the afternoon is filled with free time, which could include a visit to the spa, the on-site 9 hole putting course, bicycle rentals, or countless other outdoor activities. Everyone is encouraged to gather around 6:00 p.m. for the cocktail reception, dinner and awards presentations. After dinner, a band and dance floor in the banquet hall will help us dance the night away. Childrens' activities will be provided in close proximity to where we are meeting for the banquet Saturday night, as well as the welcome reception on Thursday night.

There is no question that the quality of our continuing education is second to none. However, one aspect of this organization, which is often overlooked, is the opportunity to relax, unwind, and build friendships among colleagues, family, and friends which will last a lifetime. This is what makes our Southern Academy truly special.

Dr. Brian West

In Memoriam

Dr. Marvin M. Sugarman



On November 8, 2010, we lost one of our great periodontal colleagues. Dr. Marvin Sugarman, known to many as "Dr. Marvin", passed away at age 95 in Atlanta. He retired from the private practice he opened in downtown Atlanta in 1938 in December, 2009, after practicing for 71 years. He leaves behind his daughter, Brenda Goldberg, of Cleveland, Ohio, and his two sons, Edward and Richard, both of whom practiced with their father, and continue in their family practice of periodontics in Atlanta. He is survived by ten grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren and was predeceased by his devoted wife of 67 years, Rose Gilner Sugarman. Dr. Sugarman took great pride and delighted in his relationship with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Dr. Sugarman received his D.D.S. degree from Emory University in 1938 and was a member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon. He served on the faculty of Emory University School of Dentistry from 1952-1974, and was Emory's founding Director of Graduate Study in Periodontics. He lectured on periodontics and also taught courses in clinical oral medicine and advanced practice management. Dr. Sugarman was a visiting lecturer at the Pankey Institute for many years and was a lifelong mentor to many of his students.

Dr. Jennifer Diversi

Dr. George Allen Brooks

Dr. Brooks died Thursday, November 18, 2010. Born in Columbia, SC, on March 23, 1942, he was a son of Eba Counts Brooks and G.B. Brooks Jr. Allen grew up in the Shandon area of Columbia and attended A.C. Moore Elementary, Hand Jr. High and Dreher High School. He was a graduate of the University of South Carolina.

Allen married Patricia Ann Thomas in 1964. Patty followed Allen through many places during his dental training and practice. They were married 46 years.

He received the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery from the Medical University of Virginia in Richmond, Virginia in 1967. He was licensed to practice Dentistry in South Carolina in June 1967. He earned his certificate in Periodontia and Oral Medicine from the New York University College of Dentistry in 1969 and was licensed to limit his practice to Periodontics in June 1972.

Doctor Brooks was commissioned in the U.S. Army in 1967. He served in the U.S. Army in Europe and was assigned to the 768th MED DET (DS) in Mannheim, Germany as Chief of Periodontics. He was a Life Member of the Reserve Officer's Association.

Doctor Brooks was a 25 Year Member of the Southern Academy of Periodontics and a retired member of the American Academy of Periodontics. He was the President of the South Carolina Society of Periodontics in 1978-1979.

Dr. George Bumgardner

Dr. Alvin J. Fillastre, Jr.

Dr. Alvin Joseph Fillastre, Jr., 87, died Monday, January 3, 2011, in Lakeland Regional Medical Center due to heart failure.

Dr. Fillastre was born November 15, 1923 in Baton Rouge, LA, to Dr. Alvin J. Fillastre Sr. and Alys Porter Fillastre. He moved to Lakeland in 1929 and lived here for the remainder of his life. He was a retired world renowned dentist, a member of numerous dental organizations including the Florida Dental Association, a member of All Saints Episcopal Church, and was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Central Office News

This year's Winter Seminar in Atlanta was unique for several reasons. It was our first ever "member-guest" event where we encouraged our members to bring referring dentists to the dual presentation by Drs. Gary Greenstein and John Cavallaro. Almost three-dozen guests attended. During one of the breaks, one Academy member remarked: "If I knew it was going to be this good I would have brought half a dozen myself!" Adding to the uniqueness of this meeting, it was our first ever sellout, and the first meeting in our memory that we had 100% attendance. Not one registrant failed to show up! Lastly, we set another record with 33 graduate residents in attendance.

We are particularly excited about the upcoming Annual Meeting venue in June, The Hammock Beach Resort. The resort is in Palm Coast, Florida, just off I-95, fifteen miles south of St. Augustine. It's like no other we've seen, and you can take a video tour directly from a link on the Academy's home page at www.periosouth.org. All the hotel's rooms are suites, all have ocean views, and all are priced at just \$250 per night. Plus, there are two-bedroom villas, a short walk from the hotel, at the same \$250 per night rate! These rates are only good as long as our room block has rooms available, so you may want to register now. The direct number to the hotel is (866) 841-0287. Be sure to mention you're with the Southern Academy of Periodontology. We have a great program planned and look forward to seeing you there in June.

25-Year Club Adds Eight

The 25-Year Club is adding seven new members this year who joined our ranks in 1986.

Dr. James Carazola, Clearwater, FL; Dr. Michael Dayoub, Savannah, GA; Dr. Steven Hamrick, Raleigh, NC, Dr. Daryl Huffman, Myrtle Beach, SC; Dr. Harvey Schenkein, Richmond, VA; Dr. Timothy Wahl, Merrit Island, FL; Dr. Lee Young, Savannah, GA.

Lastly, by virtue of having been President of the Academy last year, Dr. Jennifer Diversi is also now a member of the club. This brings club membership now to 176 Members.

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