

# MSO NEWSLETTER

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## MSO Members Shine in Chicago

Many members of the MSO were recognized for their significant achievements this past year, assumed major new responsibilities or played an active role in the planning and execution of the 100th Annual Session of the American Association of Orthodontists in Chicago. The list of accomplishments of these individuals is most impressive. In no particular order, we would like to recognize the following members:

Drs. **Lee W. Graber**, Kenilworth, Illinois, and **D. David Kinser**, Des Moines, Iowa, served as Doctors' Scientific Program Co-Chairs for this world-renowned



*Lee Graber (l) and Bill DeKock, newly-elected officers of the WFO.*

meeting. There were speakers from all over the world and the lecture rooms were extremely crowded. Dr. **Harold Y. Arai**, Park Ridge, Illinois, served as one of the Orthodontic Staff Roundtable Co-Chairs while Dr. **Steven D. Marshall**, Buffalo Grove, Illinois, served as Doctors' Roundtable Chair. In addition, Dr. **Bailey N. Jacobson**, Chicago, Illinois, did an admirable job as Local Arrangements Chair – an exciting task in a great city like Chicago where there is so much to see, do and eat! Also, a very special thank-you to the numerous MSO volunteers who

served as roundtable moderators, room monitors, etc. Your commitment to help make this meeting a most memorable event was greatly appreciated.

Two special lectures were presented by MSO members. Dr. **William H. DeKock**, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, gave the Heritage Lecture. This special lecture is to memorialize and honor persons who have contributed to the rich heritage of the orthodontic specialty. Dr. **Thomas M. Graber**, Chicago, Illinois, presented the World Federation of Orthodontists Honorary Lecture. Both of these presentations were well received.

Drs. **Lloyd E.** and **Bradley L. Pearson**, Edina, Minnesota, received the Helen and B. F. Dewel Award

from the Editorial Board of the *American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics* for the best clinical article in 1999. Their article, "Rapid Maxillary Expansion with Incisor Intrusion: A Study of Vertical Control," appeared in the May 1999 issue.



*Bradley Pearson (l) and Lloyd Pearson (r) receiving award from T. M. Graber.*

A reception was held honoring Dr. **Thomas M. Graber** for all of his untiring efforts as editor of the *American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Ortho-*

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# President's Report

*Where there is much desire to learn, there of necessity will be much arguing, much writing, many opinions; for opinions in good men is but knowledge in the making.*

John Milton (1608 - 1674)

The Board of Directors of the MSO sought the opinions of our membership with a mail-in survey. If the Board learned one thing, it was that the members of the MSO have an opinion and are willing to share it. The exceptional response rate of 57% demonstrates the care and concern about the specialty of orthodontics that our members share. The results of the survey were received by the Board and provided a large impetus for much of the future planning discussions held at the Ad Interim meeting March 10-12, 2000.

Survey results were made available on a component-response basis, and the appropriate component survey data was forwarded to the component president and director. The median age of the survey respondents (48 years) is closely allied to AAO's median age of membership, and the responses were reasonably well distributed between the various components of the MSO.

Survey results pertaining to the MSO as a whole have provided direction to the Board of Directors in the areas of annual session planning, communication among members, representation to the AAO and future directions of our specialty.

The MSO Annual Session consumes a significant portion of the time and energy of the MSO Board and its executive director, **Kristi Burmeister**. The survey results indicate that the scientific and continuing education program for the doctors is the principle attraction of the annual session. The location of the MSO Annual Session is the second most significant factor in choosing whether or not to attend. Over 40% prefer alternating between a city and a resort setting with a fairly even response for only one or the



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other. A majority of respondents favored a combined meeting with another constituent, but a strong preference for combining our meeting with one particular group was not delineated. A majority sentiment also was expressed for attendance at meetings outside of our constituency to be doctor only, with little or no staff attendance. A

profound majority favor commercial sponsorship of non-program events. A majority of respondents enjoy our clinical meeting format, while some would support a more abbreviated format with only one day of lectures.

The role of communication in any organization can never be overstated and must never be overlooked. Nearly 75% of respondents feel the *MSO Newsletter* is important, and many respondents took the time to write in their praise for Dr. **Steve Litton**, the editor of the newsletter. Several respondents indicated a willingness to pursue electronic methods of communication to enhance or, ultimately, even replace the current format of our printed newsletter. Clearly, this is the direction the MSO and AAO will need to follow to achieve the responsiveness necessary to compete in our "warp speed" culture.

Dr. **Gordon Moore**, the co-founder of Intel, predicted thirty years ago that the price-performance of the microprocessor would double every eighteen months. His prediction of the rate at which the price of information continues to fall is proving to be profoundly accurate as powerful and relatively inexpensive computers take up residency in our homes, offices and automobiles. Both the MSO and AAO are moving as rapidly as possible to keep abreast of electronic communication methods and their application to our specialty. The large number of members without an e-mail address on file with the AAO continues to be a stumbling block. Please send your e-mail address to Becky Yates at the AAO at [byates@aaortho.org](mailto:byates@aaortho.org).

That over 95% favor the current representation of MSO leaders and our delegation to the AAO is, indeed, high praise. Hard work by delegation chairman Dr. **Doug Eversoll** and the insight provided by our trustee, Dr. **Jim Gjerset**, go a long way towards enhancing the performance of the MSO delegation at the AAO House of Delegates. The 100th Annual Session of the AAO in Chicago included far-ranging discussions on the structure of the representation to the AAO by the constituent societies with a resolution passed to increase the delegation size to better represent the population distribution of the AAO. Other changes to streamline the operation of our organization and allow it to be more responsive may be forthcoming.

The survey results indicate that the representation to the AAO is the most important membership service provided by the MSO. Strong representation requires strong leadership from the membership of the MSO. The future of our specialty requires that we rise to the challenge of leadership, both individually and as a group. There are many opportunities for those interested in serving either the MSO or the AAO at a variety of levels. Anyone interested in taking on such roles is encouraged to identify themselves

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# Trustee's Report

The 100th Annual Session of the AAO is now history! This meeting combined the AAO Annual Session, the 5th International Orthodontic Congress and the 2nd meeting of the World Federation of Orthodontists. All in all, it was truly one outstanding meeting!

The keynote speaker for the opening ceremonies was General **Colin C. Powell**, USA (Ret.), and his presentation was outstanding. It was a wake-up call for America to concentrate more on the development of our young people. They are the future of our country, our world and, of course, our orthodontic specialty. We all must do whatever we can to help them to realize their potential. The AAO encourages all of our members to take part in Ground-hog Job Shadow Day which will begin on February 2, 2001, and which will become an annual event.

The House of Delegates was exceptionally busy this year and a comprehensive report on all the resolutions will appear in the May/June issue of the *Bulletin*. However, I would like to draw your attention to a couple of specific House actions.

The House approved a \$40-per-year dues increase, thereby increasing the annual dues of an active member to \$730. However, after much consideration, the House defeated a resolution which would have levied an assessment of \$189 per active member to pay for the television component of our very successful national public relations and advertising campaign. The AAO will not have television in its PR/Ad program during the coming year. It is anticipated that other components of our PR/Ad campaign

will be continued and enhanced and that the entire program will continue to be evaluated for its effectiveness.

Another "sea-change" decision was to increase the number of delegates in our AAO House of Delegates to 64. This should create more equitable representation for the larger constituent organizations while still preserving a strong representation for the smaller ones. The Midwestern Society will gain one delegate for a total of seven.

Congratulations to Dr. **John Pershing**, Dr. **Fred Garrett**, Mr. **Robert Hazel** and everyone else associated with the AAOF. This has been the best year ever for our Foundation! As the endowment continues to grow, the Foundation will be able to fund even more research and more teaching fellowships.

I hope that all of you have a marvelous summer with your families, and I look forward to seeing you all in New Orleans in September.

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to their component directors, to Burmeister & Associates or to myself. Both the AAO and the MSO are interested in having representation from a diverse group of leaders with a broad range of backgrounds. The wealth of leadership talent available within our specialty must be harnessed to ensure our healthy future.

The Board is constrained to some degree by contractual commitments for several upcoming years with regard to our annual session but is otherwise open to change whenever and wherever it befits and benefits our organization at both the constituent and national levels. We live in an age in which rapid change is possible and sometimes desirable. The challenge is to determine which changes are appropriate and effective.

Southern hospitality, thankfully, is unchanging and we can look forward to heaping doses in New Orleans at the combined MSO/SWSO Annual Session, September 7-10, 2000. General Arrangements Chair, Dr. **Jim Osborne** and our executive director, Ms. **Kristi Burmeister**, along with

respective "krewe" members, have been burning the midnight oil to put together a wonderful program. I hope all of you can attend and take advantage of their efforts. The scientific and social programs will be outstanding, and a memorable time should be enjoyed by all who attend.

It is an honor to serve as the president of the MSO. I continue to be impressed by the level of commitment provided by the members of the Board and all of the elected officers of the MSO. It is a privilege to work with Kristi and Dave Burmeister of Burmeister and Associates, Inc. They are consummate professionals with an uncanny knack for knowing the right thing to do. The MSO is well equipped and prepared to deal with the challenges facing our specialty. It is refreshing to be part of a process that transforms an exchange of information into a broader base of knowledge and facilitates change and improvement.

See you in New Orleans!

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# Membership Report

## Current Membership – May 19, 2000

Active	948
Affiliate	9
Associate/Holdover	24
Retired	240
Total Members	1,221

## Active Membership by State

Illinois	349
Iowa	82
Manitoba	16
Minnesota	139
Missouri	142
Nebraska	54
North Dakota	12
South Dakota	15
Wisconsin	139

## Deceased Members

Harvey L. Even – Des Moines, Iowa  
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## News and Notes about our Members

- Congratulations to Dr. **Babette Cohen** of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, upon her election as president of the Manitoba Dental Association.
- Thank you to Dr. **Brent E. Larson**, Rochester, Minnesota, for his service as chair of the Council on Education. He will remain on the Council.
- Congratulations to Drs. **Jeffrey T. Cavanaugh**, St. Louis, Missouri, and **Cecile Yoon-Tarlie**, Chicago, Illinois, upon their appointment to the New and Younger Member Advisory Committee of the AAO.
- Congratulations to Dr. **John S. Kanyusik** who will become president of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics at its meeting in July.
- Congratulations to Dr. **S. Edwin Noffel**, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, on becoming chair of the Council on Governmental Affairs.
- Thank you to Dr. **James W. Osborne**, Raytown, Missouri, for his contributions and service on the Council on Communications.
- Congratulations to Dr. **Leo C. Sinna**, Forest Lake, Minnesota, on his appointment to the Board of Directors of AAOSI.
- Congratulations to Drs. **Laura Iwasaki**, Lincoln, Nebraska, and **Ali Hassan**, Chicago, Illinois, for receiving Biomedical Research Awards from the AAO. Dr. Iwasaki’s project was designated for the B. F. Dewel Biomedical Research Award for 2000.



*Kevin Horner, Steve Roehm, Jim Osborne, Brent Larson, Mike Keim and Brian Jespersion deliberating at the 2000 AAO House of Delegates in Chicago.*

# Treasurer's Report

## General Income and Expenses

January 1 through May 23, 2000

Actual 1998, 1999 and Budget 2000

Income:	Actual 2000	Budget 2000	Actual 1999	Actual 1998
401 Membership Fees	600.00	99,000.00	77,338.00	97,578.00
402 Applicant Fees	180.00	0.00	920.00	2,090.00
403 Interest	5,189.29	16,000.00	13,898.77	14,437.19
405 Miscellaneous	0.00	—	0.00	0.00
407 Board Dinner	—	—	—	1,016.00
408 Royalty	—	—	—	331.04
410 Annual Session Income	0.00	0.00	—	—
Total Income	<u>4,769.29</u>	<u>115,000.00</u>	<u>92,156.77</u>	<u>115,472.23</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>				
501 President's Honorarium	0.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
502 President-Elect's Honorarium	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
503 Secretary/Treasurer's Honorarium	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
503A Newsletter Editor's Honorarium	0.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
504 Printing, Copies and By-Laws	1,170.65	3,000.00	2,400.60	2,955.29
505 Postage	787.56	3,400.00	1,535.32	2,968.25
506 Administrative Office	31,170.00	60,000.00	48,666.68	50,943.78
507 Executive Secretary Travel/Hotel	1,481.42	2,000.00	2,066.15	1,226.18
508 Phone	540.79	2,200.00	886.61	1,733.41
509 Supplies	447.25	850.00	746.95	606.48
510 Bank Fees/Miscellaneous	117.00	200.00	310.19	98.56
511 Fidelity Bonding Insurance	453.00	860.00	853.00	853.00
512 Directors' & Officers' Liability Insurance	1,878.47	1,500.00	1,407.60	1,260.17
513 Dues Billing Charges	0.00	1,000.00	983.00	997.00
514 Dues Refunds	0.00	—	0.00	0.00
515 AAO Delegation—Meeting	3,822.79	1,200.00	1,424.07	1,300.62
516 AAO Delegation—Per Diem	1,280.00	1,100.00	1,160.00	1,320.00
517 AAO Delegation—Travel/Hotel	13,426.68	11,000.00	13,282.00	9,592.29
519 AAO Foundation	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
520 MSO Ad Interim—Meeting/Council	1,545.57	1,000.00	1,600.14	873.48
521 MSO Ad Interim—Per Diem	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	1,280.00
522 MSO Ad Interim—Travel/Hotel	8,126.08	8,000.00	6,094.79	6,061.55
523 MSO Membership Committee	0.00	0.00	18.50	0.00
524 Accountant	1,200.00	1,800.00	1,503.21	1,442.71
525 Recognition Awards	0.00	500.00	1,038.50	493.50
526 Newsletter	3,958.41	9,100.00	8,492.90	8,017.50
528 MSO Annual Session—Per Diem	0.00	0.00	1,160.00	1,040.00
529 MSO Annual Session—Travel/Hotel	0.00	8,000.00	8,755.23	7,227.37
530 Executive Committee Contingency	275.58	250.00	0.00	93.81
531 AAO Leadership Conference	642.00	1,800.00	1,470.00	1,145.45
533 Board Dinners	—	—	0.00	1,710.61
534 President's Reception Fund (2003)	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
535 Student Visitation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
536 GORP Contribution	1,250.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
537 Media Training	—	—	0.00	0.00
539 Student/Educator Grants	0.00	3,825.00	3,975.00	3,100.00
540 Survey	2,033.00	0.00	240.00	0.00
Total Expenses	<u>76,806.25</u>	<u>127,735.00</u>	<u>115,220.44</u>	<u>110,991.01</u>
<b>Net Income</b> (not including Annual Sessions)	<b>-72,036.96</b>	<b>-12,735.00</b>	<b>-23,063.67</b>	<b>4,481.22</b>

### Cash Assets – As of May 18, 2000

Cash/Checking	111,848.55
Certificates of Deposit	110,000.00
Presidents Reception Fund (2003)	<u>2,601.01</u>
Total Cash Assets	<u>224,449.56</u>

# AAO Council Reports

These reports are submitted by MSO's representative on each of these councils.

## Council on Communications

Greetings to all from the Council on Communications. As your new MSO representative to COC, let me first express my thanks to our outgoing representative, Dr. **James Osborne**, for his many years of service to COC. As you are aware, Jim is no shrinking violet! He has actively voiced the concerns of all MSO members. Please extend your appreciation to him for all of his work the next time that you see him.

The goal of the Council is to play an active role in defining our specialty in the eyes of the dental community and the general public. To date, COC has elevated the visibility of the AAO with a wide variety of consumer media/public relations programs as well as helped members communicate directly with general dental practitioners and their associated staffs.

Recently, the 2000 House of Delegates voted on the Board of Trustee's proposed 2000-2001 budget. The Board's general consensus raised concerns about the rising cost of network/cable television advertising. Average cost increases have recently risen to double-digit levels.

The House voted by a narrow margin to eliminate the enhanced PR/Advertising campaign portion of the budget that was proposed by the Board. This action also eliminated the special assessment that has been utilized for the past two years to specifically fund these programs. Members of the Council and AAO associated staff have carefully studied the effect that a 74% budget cut from last year will have on the overall effectiveness of the COC in being able to accomplish the goals that have been set by the membership with a PR-only, non-advertising program mindset.

The budget, as approved, will not only eliminate TV advertising campaigns but also will eliminate other key programs. Distribution of the successful 1-800-STRAIGHT consumer information video promoting age-seven orthodontic screenings will be eliminated. The age-seven orthodontic screening promotion will also be eliminated in print form from the *Journal of the Canadian Dental Association* and the *Registered Dental Hygienist Journal*. Consumer-targeted Web enhancements to the existing AAO Web site also will be eliminated.

The Council will meet again in July to further discuss the impact of these recent changes. We will strive to continue to define our specialty in a positive and professional manner. It is the contention of the Council that if we do not take charge in continuing to define our orthodontic

profession, the void will be quickly filled by the media and the "super-generalists."

I welcome your questions and concerns.

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## Council on Governmental Affairs

A Council meeting is scheduled for June 18-20 in Washington D.C. This will be my first meeting since being elected Chairman of COGA and it will be my honor and pleasure to serve in this capacity. In addition, Dr. **Terry Pracht** is our new Trustee Liaison.

This promises to be a very active meeting with a full agenda which includes a dinner meeting with Congresswoman **Nancy Johnson** (R-CT). She is on the Health Subcommittee of the prestigious House Ways and Means Committee. This is a continuation of our high-priority meetings with those legislators who are in a position to understand and affect the specialty of orthodontics. We also will make numerous visits to legislators on the Hill to discuss those issues that are sensitive to all orthodontists.

Mr. **Tim Haake** and Ms. **Deborah Outlaw**, who represent us in Washington, will join us at the meeting and will update us on all issues that are important to our specialty. There will be several guest speakers including Ms. **Dorothy Moss**, Director of the Washington ADA office. Also on the agenda will be Mr. **Ed Goetas** of The Tarrance Group, a noted political pollster and personal friend of Mr. Haake. He will present the most up-to-date polling information for the upcoming elections in the fall.

If you have any questions concerning the activities of the Council, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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## Council on Membership, Ethics and Judicial Concerns

The following actions on Council issues were taken at the recent Annual Session:

- Resolution 2-00 COM, dealing with amending the Bylaws to express dues for all members as a percentage of active dues, was rejected, as recommended by the Council.

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• Resolution 3-00 COM, dealing with changing the composition of the House of Delegates, was declared moot since Resolution 35-00 PCSO, which passed, increased the number of delegates to 64, with each constituent entitled to two delegates without regard to the size of its active membership. MSO will now have seven delegates.

• Resolution 11-00 BT was the substitute for the Council's recommendation regarding recognition of component organizations. The House referred this resolution back to the Council.

• Resolution 38-00 NESO was adopted. This resolution dealt with amending the Bylaws to give academic members (non-U.S./Canada graduates) the same ability as active academic members (U.S./Canada graduates) to apply for a reduction in dues. The Council previously recommended this change.

The adopted budget includes funding for two surveys proposed by the Council. Two subcommittees will be appointed to work with the consultant and AAO staff to coordinate each of the surveys.

COM is in the process of investigating, reviewing and acting upon referred ethical complaints.

The Council's next meeting is August 26-27, 2000. If you have any concerns, please feel free to contact me.

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An International Educators Conference sponsored by COE was held before the AAO meeting in Chicago. Orthodontic educators attended from more than 25 countries around the world! Many ideas were exchanged and we found we have many more similarities than differences in the way we approach orthodontic education.

We continue to monitor the challenges in recruiting and retaining orthodontic educators. Many changes have been made since the Task Force on Recruitment and Retention met just over a year ago. The AAOF has been a wonderful partner in its sponsorship of Faculty Development Awards. The AAO has passed a substantial dues reduction for full-time faculty members, and we have developed a closer working relationship with the NIDCR to develop top-notch educators. In addition, you may have seen the "Spotlight on Education" that appears in the *Bulletin* and helps the general membership get to know some of the bright young educators around the country. Thanks for your help in these efforts!

We also are dealing with many administrative issues such as helping the new specialty of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology develop its specialty definition and its education guidelines.

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## Council on Orthodontic Education

The spring COE meeting was held in Washington, D.C., in conjunction with the American Association of Dental Schools (AADS) meeting. This allows us to continue our efforts to be a part of the larger body of dental education and also support the orthodontic section of AADS. For the second time, the AAO sponsored a breakfast for the dental school deans and this allowed us to discuss issues of interest to orthodontic education in a personal way.

Over the next year, the Council will be undergoing a review of the MATCH Program which has been used the last few years to match applicants with orthodontic residency programs. We want to find out if the MATCH Program is meeting the needs of the orthodontic programs, and, if not, why not. Most of the problems that have been encountered arise because not all of the orthodontic programs participate. A few of the most notable non-participants are from the MSO area and we are trying to encourage 100% participation.

## Council on Orthodontic Practice

### I. Meetings

The Council met in St. Louis in October 1999, February 2000 and for an "update" meeting at the AAO Annual Session in Chicago in May.

### II. Council action on referrals from the 1998-1999 House of Delegates

• 16-98 H – Guidelines on Patient Situations (for example, transfers, transferring records, discontinuing treatment, custodial care, etc.):

The Council, working with staff, has developed "Guidelines on Patient Situations." This reference is now available to assist members in certain special situations with regard to the management of their patients. This free publication now is included with orders of printed office forms and with AAO Forms-on-Disk. These guidelines will soon be placed on the AAO Member Web site.

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- 24-99 SAO – Excused Absence for Orthodontic Treatment:

COOP and staff have developed a draft of proposed AAO policy on excused absences for orthodontic appointments during school hours. Three documents dealing with this issue are currently available to members on the AAO Web site and available in hard copy through the AAO office. The Council recommends that members use this resource when needed on a localized basis, rather than the AAO implementing a national outreach program.

- 18-99 MSO – Clearinghouse for Computer Company Evaluation:

The Council worked with the Informatics Committee and AAO staff on this resolution. Citing practical, financial and legal factors, the Council determined that it is not feasible for the AAO to evaluate computer companies, services, hardware and/or software. The Council sent a motion dealing with this matter to the Board of Trustees; it was rejected. The Board favored using the AAO Member Web site “Information Central” as a communication medium which affords members a means for sharing information regarding orthodontic related topics, including computer information.

### III. Practice Transition Seminars

- Practice Transition Conference at 2000 Annual Session in Chicago:

COOP sponsored a full-day program featuring Drs. **Larry White, Harold Arai, Larry Jerrold** and Mr. **Randall Berning** and Mr. **Richard Collier**. Dr. **Michael Blau** was the chair of this event.

- Practice Transition Conference at 2001 Annual Session in Toronto:

COOP will sponsor a full-day Practice Transition Program in Toronto with Dr. **Rebecca Poling** as the chair. Orthodontists who have successfully transitioned (“what went right”) and those who were unsuccessful (“what went wrong”) will be featured in addition to experts on practice transitions.

- Practice Transition Conference at 2002 Annual Session in Philadelphia:

Dr. **Nile Scott** has been appointed the chair.

### IV. Future Conferences and Educational Concepts

COOP is planning a conference entitled, “The Orthodontist as C.E.O.” which is tentatively scheduled for February 7-9, 2003. The Council plans to host this program in the southeast region of the U.S. It is also planned that a repeat of highlights of this program will take place at the 2003 Annual Session in Hawaii. Dr. **Rebecca Poling** will

be chairing this program. Topics to be covered are business planning, accounting and finance, marketing and human resources as well as personnel, operation, technology and practice transition.

### V. Assistants – Recruiting, Training and Retaining

Recruiting, training and retaining orthodontic assistants is a major COOP initiative. There are several steps being taken by COOP to fulfill this important aspect of AAO’s ongoing Strategic Plan.

- A special partnership has been developed with the Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE). The Council is developing ways to disseminate information about assistant career opportunities to educators and career counselors.

- The *Orthodontic Staff Training Resource Syllabus* is a compendium of training options that AAO members may use to teach assistants how to improve their skills. Each syllabus contains contact information, the type of teaching material, the teaching method and cost. It is available in hard copy for \$15. This syllabus is a must for any members who are training staff or planning to train staff. It is considered a “living document” which will be updated every six months in March and September.

- At its February 2000 meeting, the Board of Trustees authorized COOP and staff to produce a new orthodontic staff recruiting brochure which emphasizes and describes career opportunities in orthodontic practices such as chairside assistant, lab technician and office administrator. Orthodontists are in unique positions to make these informative brochures available to high school juniors and seniors as they complete their treatment. Since this age group will have had first-hand experience in an orthodontic setting, they may be open to the encouragement of their orthodontist to pursue a career in the dental/orthodontic profession.

- COOP has authorized staff to develop a business plan for National Orthodontic Assistants Week which will take place in conjunction with National Orthodontic Health Month in October. Watch for more information to appear in the *Bulletin*.

### VI. New Projects

- Dentists can prevent child abuse:

The January-February 2000 issue of the *Bulletin* contained a feature story on this topic based on ADA information, to inform and remind members.

- Anti-Smoking and Anti-Tobacco Partnership Program:

The Council will develop a proposal for an anti-

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smoking and anti-tobacco partnership with the American Lung Association for use by AAO members in educating their patients about the dangers and risk of smoking.

## VII. Council on Orthodontic Practice Mission Statement

The following mission statement was approved by the Council:

*“The Council on Orthodontic Practice serves AAO members by providing vision, guidance and education to enhance their practices so that they may focus on what they do best – deliver the highest possible quality orthodontic care to their patients.”*

COOP continues to investigate many exciting practice management areas that will enhance our members’ capacity to do a better job of delivering care and managing their offices and staff. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 2000. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact me.

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## Council on Scientific Affairs

The Council on Scientific Affairs met January 9, 2000, in St. Louis. Thirty-one submissions for research awards were reviewed and five projects received recognition by the Council as follows:

- Milo Hellman Award to Dr. **Monica Goldenberg**, University of Texas – “Unraveling the Genetic Code for Human Dentition in a Family with a Unique Form of Oligodontia.”
- Harry Sicher Award to Dr. **Trang Duong**, U.C.S.F. – “Modulation by Relaxin and Beta-Estradiol of Matrix Macromolecules and Proteinases in the TMJ Disc.”
- Dr. Thomas M. Graber Award of Special Merit to Dr. **Emad Al-Farra**, University of Pennsylvania – “Phosphorous Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy to Study the Relationship Between the Masseter Muscle and Facial Morphology.”
- Dr. Thomas M. Graber Award of Special Merit to Dr. **Frederick A. Fenderson**, University of Michigan – “Long-Term Post Retention Comparison of Two Methods of Maxillary Expansion.”
- Dr. Thomas M. Graber Award of Special Merit to Dr. **John C. Huang**, Harvard University – “Protein Kinase(s) and Phosphoproteins of Developing Enamel.”

COSA members discussed the importance of formally recognizing both clinical and basic science

research as both types of research benefit the art and science of orthodontics. The Council chose 48 oral abstract presentations from 136 abstracts which were submitted for the 2000 AAO Annual Session in Chicago. In addition, 120 table clinic and 219 poster board abstracts were reviewed for the meeting.

The AAO Board of Trustees directed COSA, in consultation with AAO General Counsel, to review existing guidelines and standards concerning orthodontic treatment records. It was suggested that a document from AAO General Counsel be modified in order to clarify contents of the *Clinical Practice Guidelines*. There was discussion about a program of orthodontic research support for dental students, and an update for latex allergic reactions was reviewed.

In related matters at their February meeting, the AAO Board of Trustees approved the addition of a fourth Award of Special Merit and the designation of the award as either clinical or basic science entries. The Award of Special Merit was renamed the “Dr. Thomas M. Graber Award of Special Merit.”

Dr. **Ravindra Nanda** was elected Chair for 2000-2001. Outgoing COSA Chair, Dr. **Peter Sinclair**, recognized the award winners for the Milo Hellman, Harry Sicher and Dr. Thomas M. Graber Awards of Special Merit at the AAO meeting in Chicago. At the same meeting, COSA also recognized two outstanding table clinics. First prize for the Joseph E. Johnson Table Clinic Award in the university-sponsored category went to Dr. **Ryuzo Kanomi** for “Approach to Treatment Planning of Cases with Congenitally Missing Upper and Lower Incisors” and in the individual-sponsored category to Dr. **Mohannad Al-Hajji** for “Assessment of and Comparison Between Two Rapid Canine Retraction ‘RCR’ Techniques: Alveolar Bone Distraction Osteogenesis versus Periodontal Membrane Distraction Osteogenesis.”

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## American Board of Orthodontics

Congratulations to the following MSO members who recently passed their Phase III requirements and were certified as Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics: Drs. **Jo Hansen**, Lee’s Summit, Missouri; **Steve Huber**, Jefferson City, Missouri; **Tohii Hudgins**, Carbondale, Illinois; **Jerome Jarosz**, Arlington Heights,

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Illinois; **Steve Marshall**, Buffalo Grove, Illinois; **Gary Schubertli**, Barrington, Illinois; and **William Schuckit**, Grafton, Wisconsin.

A total of sixty candidates, or eighty percent of those taking the examination, successfully completed the Phase III examination this past February and became Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics. The Board is satisfied with the objectivity of the model grading system for Phase III and next year is planning to present an award named after Dr. **Dale Wade** to the candidate with the highest average score on Phase III. The award will be presented at the CDABO luncheon at the AAO meeting in Toronto along with the Earl Shepard Award that is presented to the candidate who has the highest score on the Phase II examination.

Over 300 candidates took the Phase II written examination in Chicago prior to the AAO. Each year since 1993, over 300 candidates have taken the Phase II exam. The Board has taken steps to handle the potential increase in the number of candidates who will be taking the Phase III exam in the future as their ten-year limit approaches. The Board has been using several past directors each year as examiners and also is building up an examiner pool for future needs.

The Board, under the leadership of President **Jim Vaden**, conducted a very successful, all-day International Symposium prior to the AAO meeting in Chicago. Over 100 orthodontists from foreign countries and department chairs and/or program directors from the U.S. heard the 70-year-old history of the ABO, how the Board certification process works and detailed information on how the examinations are construed and conducted. Many favorable comments were heard from all the participants.

The Albert H. Ketcham Memorial Award recipient for 2000 was Dr. **Jack Dale** from Toronto, Canada. Jack was presented the award at the Chicago meeting. Drs. **Lyle Johnson**, Ann Arbor, Michigan, and **Paul Tessier**, Paris, France, were chosen to receive the Ketcham Award at the 2001 AAO meeting in Toronto.

Plan to attend the MSO/SWSO meeting in New Orleans in September. The program looks excellent and New Orleans is always a fun place to visit. There will be an ABO luncheon on Saturday that all orthodontists – board certified or non-certified – will be invited to attend. Detailed information on the Option II pathway to Board certification and a new pathway to Board certification will be presented by Dr. **Don James**, SWSO director, and myself.

The Board is continually improving its Web site ([www.americanboardortho.com](http://www.americanboardortho.com)) and has created a case display section to show treated cases in all the required categories for the Phase III examination. The model grading

system is also available. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the ABO or the Board certification process.

See you in New Orleans.

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## College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics

The College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics will be sponsoring an ABO Phase III training seminar at the combined MSO/SWSO Annual Session in New Orleans on Thursday, September 7, from 1:00 to 5:00. These seminars are excellent if you are planning to take the Boards and are helpful at any stage. A special thank you to Drs. **Don James**, **Scott Hamilton**, **David Birdwell** and **Larry Tadlock** for helping with the seminar. This year's CDABO luncheon will be held on Saturday, September 9, from noon to 1:30. Both events will be held at the Fairmont Hotel. For additional information on either activity, call Dr. **Jim Morrow** at 915/695-2040.

CDABO currently has over 1,500 members.

Membership is open to all orthodontists who are Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics. One of the benefits of being "boarded" and joining CDABO is being able to attend the excellent scientific programs at its annual sessions. This year's meeting will be in Halifax, Nova Scotia. The 2001 meeting will be in Sun Valley, Idaho, when Dr. **John Kanyusik** is president. The CDABO Web site has additional information and can be accessed at [www.cdabo.org](http://www.cdabo.org).

At the AAO Annual Session in Chicago, the CDABO Council met and planned how the College could increase its effectiveness in promoting board certification. Since the ABO strongly feels that mentoring is the most effective way to increase board certification, the College has established a Mentor Committee, which offers assistance to those who request it in preparing to take the boards. If you would be interested in mentoring a candidate or know someone who would benefit from the help of a mentor, please contact me.

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## American Association of Orthodontists Political Action Committee

It's party time once again as both Democrats and Republicans rely on political alchemy to shine up their presidential campaigns. Underneath this levitation act lies an important congressional race whose majority control is too close to call. The winning party will have the opportunity to set and fund the future national health agenda.

Your Political Action Committee is presently committing your contributions to assist those candidates who have listened to the concerns impacting our specialty of health care. Your membership dues support those committees responsible for developing the AAO's legislative positions, and with your AAOPAC contributions, you support the AAO's attempt to access members of Congress to listen to our position.

It is not too late to have your contribution count. Please join the AAOPAC today!

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## American Association of Orthodontists Foundation

The 100th Annual Session of the American Association of Orthodontists was the most successful session for the AAO Foundation, raising \$609,072 in pledges. Included were 23 new Regent (\$25,000) pledges and two pledges at the Fellow (\$50,000) level.

The AAOF Board of Directors has designated as Charter Regents of the AAO Foundation all those who pledged at the Regent level or higher by the end of the 2000 Annual Session. There are a total of 143 Charter Regents and, of those, 27 are MSO members.

As of the adjournment of the 2000 Annual Session, the campaign is ahead of the 1999 pace with a total of nearly \$2 million in new or upgraded pledges. The total of pledges for the A CASE FOR THE FUTURE Endowment Campaign is over \$14.6 million.

MSO Regent donors Drs. **Jeff Schauder, Jeff Cavanaugh, Robert Waxler** and **Courtney Gorman**, along with several non-MSO donors, Drs. **Jeff Thompson, David Wardlaw, Steve Scott** and **Basil Drobockey**, combined resources to fund the Michael Matlof Memorial Teaching Fellowship Award. Mike was a wonderful colleague who touched these individuals in many ways.

Each year, \$15,000 will be awarded to a junior faculty orthodontist who is engaged in full-time teaching.

During the MSO meeting last fall in Chicago, the Tom Graber Teaching Fellowship Award was established through the Regent pledges of Drs. **James Kohl, Stephen Roehm, Douglas Eversoll, Darrel Moreland** and **John Pershing**.

The following MSO members have upgraded their pledges to the Regent level this past year: Drs. **Michael Hollen, Dennis Langwith, Lee Graber, Michael Klepacki,**

**Steven Moravec, Terry Selke, Bruce Hultgren, John Kanyusik, Stephen Litton, Brian Jespersen,**

**Michael Keim, Michael Fuchs** and **Kevin Horner**.

The MSO follows Southwestern and Rocky Mountain in percentage of participation at 28% of its members pledging A CASE FOR THE FUTURE. As of the end of May, Illinois needs 40 pledges, Wisconsin needs 15, Missouri needs 5 and Iowa needs 3 to reach the one-third level of participation. That is only 63 pledges to get all of the MSO components to goal.

On a personal note, I would like to thank my fellow MSO members for the opportunity to represent them on the AAO Foundation Board. Since I replaced Dr. **Gene Blair** as the National Campaign Chair, the Campaign has increased from \$6 million to \$14.6 million. This past year I had the pleasure of serving as president during this 40th-year celebration of the AAO Foundation.

Let me assure each of you that the AAO Foundation will reach the goal of one-third participation. When this goal is reached, the campaign will have approximately \$20 million in pledges. This should generate, on average, \$1.5 million annually for support of the specialty. If all orthodontists would place the AAO Foundation in their annual budget by pledging A CASE FOR THE FUTURE (\$2,500) for ten years, as the present Regent level members have done, we could, over time, ultimately endow our specialty. This would ensure the viability of our specialty and place the future of orthodontics in the hands of orthodontists. Orthodontics as a specialty would be able to substantially determine its own destiny.

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*Jim Gjerset (c) presenting AAOF Regent pins to Mike Keim (l) and Steve Litton (r).*

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*pedics* from 1985-2000. Moreover, Dr. Graber received honorary fellowship in the World Federation of Orthodontists. This is given to those individuals who are known throughout the world as having contributed significantly to the art and science of orthodontics.

Several MSO members were elected or appointed to significant positions in our world of orthodontics. Dr. **James E. Gjerset**, Grand Forks, North Dakota, became AAO Secretary/Treasurer. Jim will also serve his final year as trustee for MSO. Dr. **Lee W. Graber** was elected to a five-year term as president of the World Federation of Orthodontists, and Dr. **William H. DeKock** who just completed his term as president, will assume the duties of Secretary General of the World Federation of Orthodontists. Dr. **Leo C. Sinna**, Forest Lake, Minnesota, was appointed to the AAOSI Board of Directors.

As for the business of the AAO, Dr. **Douglas K. Eversoll**, Lincoln, Nebraska, Chair of MSO's delegation also served as the Chair of the House Credentials Committee, and Dr. **Keith J. Levin**, Winnipeg, Manitoba, served on Reference Committee Number 3. In addition to Doug and Keith, Drs. **Kevin D. Horner**, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; **Michael J. Inda**, Waukesha, Wisconsin; **Brian R.**



*Keith Levin and Doug Eversoll at the AAO House of Delegates.*

**Jespersion**, Bismarck, North Dakota; **Michael L. Keim**, Fargo, North Dakota; **Brent E. Larson**, Rochester, Minnesota; **James W. Osborne**, Raytown, Missouri; **Stephen C. Roehm**, Peoria, Illinois; **Michael A. Fuchs**, Huron, South Dakota; and **Thomas M. Stark**, Ames, Iowa, spent a significant amount of

time in caucuses, reference committee hearings and at the House of Delegates representing the best interests of the AAO and MSO as well as orthodontists and our patients.

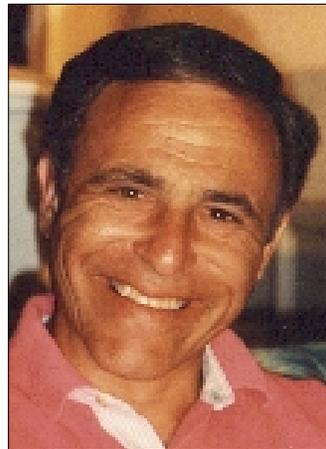
Dr. **John K. Pershing**, Hastings, Nebraska, completed his term as president of the AAOF. During his tenure, the funds of the AAOF rose to an unprecedented \$14,600,000. Dr. **Brent E. Larson** ended his term as chair of the Council on Orthodontic Education. Dr. **James W. Osborne** completed his term on the Council on Communications and has been replaced by Dr. **Douglas K. Eversoll**.

We salute these individuals for their dedication and contributions to the specialty of orthodontics and are proud to claim them as members of the MSO!

## MSO Trustee Search

The MSO has spent the last two years searching for a new trustee to be elected in the fall of 2000 and installed at the AAO meeting in Toronto in 2001. An ad hoc committee gathered information from various sources to aid in the process. The Nominating Committee will submit the name of Dr. **Lee W. Graber**, Kenilworth, Illinois, to the MSO membership for a vote this fall.

There probably is no one more qualified to help lead the MSO and the AAO for the next decade. Lee's list of accomplishments, honors and positions he has held could easily fill up this entire newsletter! In fact, he was even MSO's newsletter editor from 1988-1992.



*Lee W. Graber*

Lee received his undergraduate education at Northwestern and his dental education at Michigan, where he worked as an undergraduate student with Dr. **Robert Moyers** and Dr. **Jim McNamara**. He received his orthodontic

training at Northwestern under Dr. **Hal Perry**, then went back to Michigan for a Masters in Anatomy and a Ph.D. in Human Growth and Development.

Lee has taught, lectured and practiced orthodontics. He served as president of his local dental society, the Illinois Society of Orthodontists and the MSO and currently serves on the editorial board of the *AJO/DO* as well as on the editorial boards of several other publications.

As a member of COOP, Lee was active in helping to manage the transition conferences and meetings on new technologies. He has served on a number of AAO committees, most recently as chairman of the AAO's Informatics Committee. He was program chair of AAO's annual session in 1988; co-chair in 2000; and general chair of the annual session in 1995 in San Francisco.

Lee was just elected in May to a five-year term as president of the World Federation of Orthodontists.

Lee and his wife, Jane, who is also a dentist, have three daughters, one of whom is currently in dental school.

Hopefully, you, too, will feel the MSO has nominated the best possible person to lead us into the future. His commitment to his colleagues and to all aspects of orthodontics make Lee the premiere candidate for this prestigious position. We encourage active members to vote at the annual business meeting on September 9 in New Orleans.

# Component Reports

## Illinois

**Michael A. Klepacki**, President  
**Robert A. Bard**, President-Elect  
**Steven D. Marshall**, Vice President  
**David P. Forbes**, Secretary/Treasurer

It was truly a pleasure hosting the 2000 AAO Annual Session in Chicago. What a magnificent meeting! We welcomed the largest number of orthodontists to ever attend an annual session, and our Illinois membership can be very proud of those who volunteered to help make it a very special meeting. With planning committee members Drs. **Lee Graber**, **Bailey Jacobsen** and **Harold Arai** and over 200 ISO volunteers, the local effort toward the meeting was a fine tribute to the MSO and the profession. Speakers from Illinois included Drs. **Harold Arai**, **Carla Evans**, **Tom Graber**, **Chet Handleman**, **Ron Jacobson**, **Dave Musich**, **Shelly Rosenstein** and **Terry Selke**.

Special highlights of the meeting for Illinois included the induction of Dr. **Lee Graber** as president of the World Federation of Orthodontists and the reception honoring Dr. **Tom Graber** for his 15 years as editor-in-chief of the *American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics*.

The ISO officers and trustees for 2000-2001 were installed at our meeting on March 6, 2000. Dr. **Mike Klepacki** was duly inducted as president by his father, Dr. **Frank Klepacki**, himself a president of the ISO in 1973.

Mike has put together an outstanding program at the Drury Lane Oak Brook for the coming year:

- October 2, 2000: Dr. **Jim McNamara** – “A Practical Approach to Orthodontic and Orthopedic Treatment.”
- November 6, 2000: Ms. **Charlene White** – “Hiring and Keeping Good Staff.”



*Illinois Society of Orthodontists 2000-2001 Board. Back row (l to r): Rick Sikora, James Kohl, Cecile Yoon-Tarlie, Frank Gruber. Front row (l to r): Steven Marshall, Robert Perrie, Michael Klepacki, Robert Bard, David Forbes. Not pictured: Ara Goshgarian and John Schuler.*

- January 22, 2001: Dr. **Young Kim** – “Treating Difficult Cases.”
- February 23, 2001: Dr. **Pat Turley** – “Identification and Treatment of Early Orthodontic Problems” (ISO-sponsored lecture at the Chicago Dental Society Annual Meeting).
- March 12, 2001: Dr. **Richard Roblee** – “Interdisciplinary Treatment.”

Dr. **Frank Green** has been working diligently to help finalize the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation rules pertaining to orthodontic practice as mandated by the recent change in the Illinois Dental Practice Act. His work culminates years of political effort by many current and former ISO Board members to influence legislation and help improve the practice of orthodontics in Illinois. Thank you, Frank, for your dedication to this important issue.

In addition to his duties as an AAO Delegate from MSO, Dr. **Steve Roehm** will become Secretary/Treasurer of the MSO at the meeting in New Orleans this September, and Dr. **Steve Marshall** will become the new director.

Congratulations to Drs. **John Hudgins**, **Jerry Jarosz**, **Steve Marshall** and **Gary Schuberth** who are now Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics.

A friend to many in the MSO and the 1998-99 recipient of the ISO Outstanding Teacher Award, Dr. **Hal Perry** will be leaving MSO territory to live in Oregon. He and Lynn have resided in Elgin, Illinois, for more than 45 years and now look forward to a well-deserved “retirement” close to their family. Best wishes, Hal and Lynn.

To all members of the ISO, have a wonderful summer! I look forward to seeing many of you in New Orleans at the September MSO/SWSO Annual Session.

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## Iowa

**Richard W. Wagner**, President  
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**Gail A. Diehl**, Secretary/Treasurer

The Iowa Society of Orthodontists is very proud of the effort of our members for the AAO Annual Session in Chicago! A special thank-you to Dr. **Dave Kinser** for all of his work as the Doctors’ Scientific Program Co-Chair and to Dr. **Bill DeKock** for his leadership as president of the WFO and for delivering the Heritage Lecture. And, thank you to all of the other outstanding orthodontists from Iowa who gave lectures and volunteered time to make the

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meeting such a resounding success.

Another highlight of this spring was the annual Iowa residents' visits to Des Moines area orthodontic offices in April. Thanks to Dr. **Dave Kinser** and other area orthodontists for organizing the program and sharing with the students – it is a great way to show them practice alternatives.

Thanks to Dr. **Tom Stark** for his work as Secretary/Treasurer of the MSO and to Dr. **Mike Hipp** for agreeing to replace Tom as Iowa's director to the MSO.

The Iowa Summer Orthodontic Seminar will be in Okoboji on August 20-23, 2000. Topics will include "Current Concepts in Orthodontic Treatment," with the great faculty coming from the University of Iowa. Make plans now to attend this and the MSO meeting in New Orleans September 7-10.

The Iowa Society of Orthodontists Annual Meeting will be October 8-10, 2000, in Iowa City. The speaker will be Dr. **Thomas Zeigler**, an orthodontist and attorney, who will speak on estate planning and practice transition. Besides homecoming weekend activities, plan for Dr. **Buzz Bigelow's** sporting clays and Dr. **Mike Hipp's** golf event.

If I missed an event or thanks, I apologize for the oversight. As predicted, I missed my first AAO meeting because we had our baby boy in April. My staff had a great time at the meeting and I heard that it was the best meeting in years! We are so lucky in Iowa to have great orthodontists – thanks to all of you who work so hard to make our profession better and represent Iowa so well!

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## Manitoba

**Philip W. Carter**, President  
**Elli G. Roehm**, Secretary/Treasurer

Dr. **Babette Cohen**, a Winnipeg orthodontist, was elected 116th president of the Manitoba Dental Association at its annual meeting in February. Dr. Cohen, a graduate of Western Ontario's Dental School in 1986, received her M.Sc. in orthodontics from the University of Manitoba in 1991 and practices in Winnipeg.

The members of the Manitoba Society of Orthodontists offer our congratulations and a heartfelt thank-you for all of Dr. Cohen's efforts on behalf of Manitoba dentistry. She is also the wife of Dr. **Keith Levin**, MSO president.

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## Minnesota

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**Thomas H. Inglis**, Secretary/Treasurer

The MAO Annual Winter Meeting was held at the Minneapolis Marriott City Center Hotel in January. Dr. **Samir Bishara** from the University of Iowa presented, "The Etiology, Diagnosis and Management of Impacted Canines." Dr. Bishara addressed the orthodontic, surgical and periodontal considerations in the treatment of impacted cuspids and their special retention needs.

**David Walsh**, Ph.D., lectured to staff on "Understanding Adolescents." The Minneapolis psychologist, educator and author of *Selling Out America's Children*, described adolescence as a "normally abnormal stage of life." He detailed the six intervals of this developmental stage that make adolescents an exciting, fun and sometimes baffling group with whom to work.

Dr. **Steven NedreLOW**, Willmar, Minnesota, was installed as the new president of the association. In his address, he recognized Dr. **Arnold Hill** as a distinguished guest for his many years of service to the association and his contributions to orthodontic education.

Graduates of the University of Minnesota Division of Orthodontics gathered at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel during the AAO Annual Session for the 7th Annual University of Minnesota Orthodontic Alumni Reunion. It was another resounding success.

Congratulations to Drs. **Lloyd and Bradley Pearson**, Edina, Minnesota, on receiving the Helen and B. F. Dewel Award from the Editorial Board of the *AJO/DO* for the best clinical article in 1999.

We are pleased that in September Dr. **Brent Larson**, Rochester, will become our new director, replacing Dr. **Steve Litton**.

The MAO Summer Meeting will be held at Willinger's Golf Club in Northfield, Minnesota, on Friday, September 15, 2000. Our speaker will be Dr. **Terry Pracht**, of Westerville, Ohio. Dr. Pracht currently lectures on the Unitek circuit and was a presenter at this year's AAO meeting in Chicago. His presentation, "The Platinum Age of Orthodontics," should be of interest to orthodontists of any age. He will cover practice transitions, DMSOs and marketing your practice using digital imaging. Arrangements for the meeting are being handled by Dr. **Steven Henseler** at 651/739-1555.

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The Missouri Society of Orthodontists will hold its annual business meeting during the MSO/SWSO meeting in New Orleans on Saturday, September 9, 2000, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Rex Room of the Fairmont Hotel. Plan on attending this important meeting to find out what is happening in the society.

A scientific meeting is planned for 8:30 a.m. Saturday, November 4, 2000, at the Ramada Inn Conference Center in Columbia, Missouri. The speaker will be Dr. **Lynn Mouden**, Director of the Arkansas Office of Oral Health. He was the Associate Chief of the Bureau of Dental Health for the State of Missouri. Dr. Mouden's presentation is entitled, "Dentistry's Role in Preventing Child Abuse and Neglect." He will focus on the role all health-care professionals play in decreasing the incidence of family violence, including child abuse and neglect, and he will discuss the specific clinical aspects of abuse and neglect that should be recognized in the clinical setting. This lecture is intended for both doctors and staff. Dr. Mouden's presentation will be followed by the Missouri Tigers and Colorado Buffaloes football game.

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## Nebraska

**Bradley J. Hoppens**, President  
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The 2000 Annual Meeting was held in Omaha in March with election of new officers. Dr. **Paula Harre** updated the membership on AAO's Governmental Affairs Conference and legislative issues, and Dr. **Bill Barnard** presented the AAO Foundation report.

Dr. **Michael Swartz**, speaker for the annual meeting's continuing education program, discussed "Understanding and Optimizing Titanium Alloy Archwires and Orthodontic Bonding."

Congratulations are due to Dr. **Doug Eversoll** on becoming MSO's vice-president.

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## North Dakota

**Michael L. Keim**, President  
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**Gary Cornforth**, Secretary/Treasurer

The North Dakota Society of Orthodontists will meet in Fargo on October 27 for their annual continuing education seminar. Ms. **Char Eash**, nationally acclaimed practice management consultant, will present two half-day programs. The morning program, entitled, "The 10 Most Asked Questions in the Orthodontic Office," will be for doctors and staff. The afternoon session, "Transitions: The Do's and Don'ts," will be for the doctors. A post-program social event is being planned by Dr. **Mike** and **Sarah Keim**. A mailing will be sent out soon.

Our membership salutes Dr. **Brian Jespersen**, MSO president-elect. We all admire Brian. He represents the best qualities of a professional: a great husband and father, an active member of his church, an outstanding clinician and an active member of organized dentistry. We look forward, with pride, to the upcoming year as he serves as the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists' president.

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## South Dakota

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We are planning to meet in Minneapolis in January 2001 with the Minnesota Association of Orthodontists at their annual meeting. This arrangement has worked well for us in past years.

If there are further questions, please contact me.

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## Wisconsin

**John R. Crawford**, President  
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**Scott P. Arbit**, Secretary/Treasurer

The Wisconsin Society of Orthodontists has completed another great year. Last fall, at the peak of

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Wisconsin's beautiful colorama, we met in Door County for an excellent program by Dr. **Lysle Johnston**. Dr. Johnston presented a talk on differences in treatment effects of one-phase versus two-phase treatment, edgewise versus functional appliance therapy and extraction versus non-extraction treatment.

This spring we met on Kenosha's shore of Lake Michigan for a stimulating presentation by Dr. **Ronald Roth**. Dr. Roth spoke on patient evaluation, treatment planning and treatment mechanics. Sharing his years of experience in a no-nonsense style, Dr. Roth clarified what leads to consistent clinical excellence.

At our spring meeting, the Wisconsin Society elected our new slate of officers, listed above, plus a new trustee, Dr. **Thomas Lovlein**.

For the coming year, the Wisconsin Society of Orthodontists has another exciting lineup. On September 11-12, 2000, at the Inn on the Park in Madison, Wisconsin, Dr. **Vincent Kokich** will present a discussion on "Interdisciplinary Treatment."

On April 23-24, 2001, at the American Club in Kohler, Wisconsin, Ms. **Charlene White** will talk to doctors and staff members on peak performance in the orthodontic practice.

Have a wonderful summer!

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## Help Wanted

The officers of the MSO are occasionally searching for individuals to fill positions that become available during the course of the year. Thus, the MSO would like to develop a list of willing individuals who potentially could be called upon if such a situation should arise. This could be for an opening on a MSO or AAO committee, for example.

Therefore, if you have an interest in serving organized dentistry, and, especially, your speciality of orthodontics, and have an interest or expertise in some specific area, we would like to keep your name on file. Please submit your name by contacting your component director, any officer of the MSO or MSO's Executive Director, Kristi Burmeister (see page 4 for addresses, e-mails or phone numbers).



*Your MSO was well represented at the AAO Governmental Affairs Conference held in Washington, D.C., in March 2000. Speaking on behalf of the MSO and all orthodontists were (l to r) Jim Gjerset, North Dakota; Paula Harre, Nebraska; Tim Haake, Washington, D.C.; Ed Noffel, Missouri; and Steve Litton, Minnesota. Tim Haake, an attorney, is the AAO's representative to Congress.*

## Hipp MSO's newest director

The MSO Board of Directors would like to welcome our newest director, Dr. **Michael S. Hipp**, Des Moines, Iowa. Mike replaces Dr. **Tom Stark** of Ames, who became MSO's secretary/treasurer as part of the realignment of the MSO officers this past winter.



*Michael S. Hipp*

Mike received his undergraduate education at Wake Forest and his dental education at the University of North Carolina. He received his orthodontic training at the University of Iowa and then decided to stay in the Midwest.

Currently president-elect of the Iowa Society of Orthodontists, Mike also has served for the past ten years as Secretary/Treasurer of the Des Moines District Dental Society as well as on numerous district committees. He has been practicing with Dr. **Charles C. Collins** in Des Moines for the past 19 years.

Mike and his wife, Julie, have three daughters.

The MSO Board feels fortunate to have Mike's input and foresight as we strive to meet our members' needs in this new millennium.

## Marquette University

The Orthodontic Department at Marquette is preparing for the accreditation site visit which will be November 14-16. We are still in the midst of an ongoing national search for a graduate program director.

Congratulations to our graduating second-year residents Drs. **Dauro Oliveira, Jeff Keesler, MyDzung Dang, Brett Olm** and **Derek Cheng**. Dr. Oliveira is returning to his native Brazil and joining a private practice; Dr. Keesler is returning to Neenah, Wisconsin, to practice with his wife, Dr. **Marissa Keesler**, who is a part-time faculty member here at Marquette; Dr. Dang is returning to practice in her native Pennsylvania; Dr. Olm is going into practice in Green Bay, Wisconsin; and Dr. Cheng plans to practice in Crystal Lake, Illinois.

The graduation dinner for our second-year orthodontic residents was held on May 5, 2000, at the Pfister Hotel in Milwaukee. The event attracted over one hundred people and was followed by a lecture the next day at the Alumni Memorial Union by Dr. **Eustaquio Araujo** on "Concepts of Clinical Orthodontics." During the graduation dinner, the Division of Orthodontics honored Drs. **Bob Winders, Bob Gordon** and **Russ Kittleson** for outstanding service to the division and many years of loyal service.

On June 8, 2000, we welcomed our new first-year residents. Drs. **William Bird, Carlos Lamboy, Sarah Santos** and **Michael Maslowski** are graduating seniors from the dental program here at Marquette, and Dr. **Ildeu Andrade** is joining us from Brazil. We are delighted they are now part of the Marquette "family."

Plans for the new school are at an advanced stage, and we are looking forward to moving to the new graduate orthodontic clinic in August 2002. The clinic will have 19 chairs and will be about 4,000 square feet in size.

The residents are looking forward to the upcoming GORP meeting at the University of Michigan. This promises to be an exciting event with a host of excellent speakers. We wish the organizers well and look forward to getting a report from our residents upon their return.

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## Mayo Clinic

The alumni and graduate orthodontic residents of Mayo Clinic gathered for their annual reunion at the Como Inn Restaurant in Chicago during this year's Annual Session of the American Association of Orthodontists. Honored guests included former faculty members of the program –

Drs. **Howard Sather, Arnold Hill, Brent Larson** and **Terry Guenther**.

Dr. **Travis Talbot** completed his training this spring and is practicing in Utah. We wish him well not only in his new practice but also in his role as newlywed.

The program is fortunate to have opportunities to interact with Mayo Clinic's Sleep Disorders Center, Department of Psychology, Department of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine and the Craniofacial Clinic.

Drs. **Joe Rebellato** and **Rose Sheats** continue to seek applications for a full-time, board-certified orthodontist and acknowledge the invaluable support of the three current residents in maintaining a busy and demanding orthodontic practice.

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## Saint Louis University

The Orthodontic Alumni Association held a breakfast meeting in March at the Hyatt Hotel. Dr. **Joseph T. Mellion** received the Merit Award from the Saint Louis University Graduate Orthodontic Alumni Association. Dr. **Peter Sotiropoulos** was elected alumni president for 2000-2001 and Dr. **Robert Shapiro**, vice president.

Several orthodontic guest lecturers from the U.S. and around the world shared their expertise with the orthodontic residents during the spring semester. They were Dr. **Jay Bowman** on the Distal Jet appliance; Dr. **Ron Jacobson** on digital imaging and information exchange; Dr. **Susan Zunt** reviewing the area of oral and maxillofacial pathology; Dr. **Paul Dowling**, from the British Isles, speaking about research done on the use of functional appliance treatment; Dr. **Nagwa Enany**, Chair of Orthodontics at Alexandria University in Egypt, discussing early treatment of developing malocclusions; Dr. **Eustaquio Araujo**, from Brazil, presenting material about the treatment of Class III malocclusion; and Dr. **Mark Perelmuter** talking about splint therapy for the treatment of temporomandibular joint disorders.

At this year's meeting of the International and American Associations for Dental Research in Washington D.C., 15 presentations were given by orthodontic faculty and students. Dr. **Donald Ferguson** chaired a Craniofacial Biology half-day session entitled, "Orthodontic Treatment Outcomes." Dr. **Dennis Killiany** served as a judge for the Sarnat Award and the Craniofacial Biology Award.

Drs. Killiany and Ferguson each made presentations at the AAO Annual Session in Chicago. This year, a

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well-attended Saint Louis University Orthodontic Alumni reception was held at the Kenyon Oppenheimer Art Gallery on Michigan Avenue during which time a large painted portrait of Dr. **Pete Sotiropoulos** was unveiled to his surprise.

Dr. **Vernon Truetzel**, one of the pillars of our orthodontic program, died on April 29, 2000. He was a member of the first graduate orthodontics class at Saint Louis University. Dr. Truetzel gave so much to his students and will be missed.

Several others associated with the Graduate Orthodontics Program have been presented awards. Dr. **Dennis Killiany** received the Gus G. Sotiropoulos Outstanding Clinical Instructor Award from the graduating class. Two of the students who graduated in January were included in *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. They are Drs. **Sundus Hajji** and **Philip Santucci**. Dr. Santucci, as Valedictorian of his class, received the J. P. Marshall Award.

Dr. **Prinda Lertpitayakun**, Class of 2000, received the Uchiyama-Truetzel Award which was proudly presented for outstanding performance in the pre-clinical Tweed Edgewise Technique Course. This award was created in honor of Drs. **George S. Uchiyama** and **Vernon E. Truetzel**, who were co-directors of the pre-clinical Tweed Edgewise Technique course from 1955-1995, and is presented annually to the student who has shown the most competence, skill and talent. Last year, Dr. **Thomas Herremans**, Class of 1999, was the first recipient of this award.

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## University of Iowa

Congratulations to Drs. **Stephanie Combs, Kirk Davies, John Hermanson, Clayton Parks** and **Jason Schmit** who completed their orthodontic training and received their Master's degrees this summer.

We are proud of the large number of our faculty and graduates who made presentations at the recently completed 100th Annual Session of the AAO in Chicago. They included Drs. **Samir Bishara, John Casco, William DeKock, Gerald Eganhouse, Arturo Garcia, Steve Harrison, Andrew Lidral, William Olin, Bradley Pearson, Karin Southard, Tom Southard, Robert Staley, Tim Trulove** and **Randy Wright**. In addition to the number of presentations, two Iowa graduates played a significant role in the success of the meeting. Dr. **Bill DeKock** represented the World Federation of Orthodontists

as its president and Dr. **David Kinser** was the Co-Chairman for the Doctors' Scientific Program.

Congratulations to Drs. **Karin** and **Tom Southard**, both of whom were promoted to full professor this summer and continue to serve as outstanding role models for our graduate students.

Congratulations also to Dr. **Bradley Pearson** who was a co-recipient of the Helen and B.F. Dewel Award for the best article in the *AJO/DO* during the past year. We recognize that Bradley's father, Lloyd, who is a University of Minnesota graduate, was co-author of the winning article. However, we feel confident that the primary reason that the article was selected for the award was because of the input provided by Bradley, which was based on the education that he received at Iowa!

A special word of thanks to Dr. **Charles Collins** who is returning to full-time private practice after doing an excellent job for the past five years as an adjunct faculty member in the Orthodontic Department. We will miss him.

The 22nd Annual Iowa Winter Orthodontic Seminar on Surgical Orthodontics will be held the week of February 3-10, 2001, at the Lion Square Lodge in Vail, Colorado.

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## University of Illinois – Chicago

A new full-time faculty member, Dr. **Jeremy Mao**, has joined the department to teach clinical orthodontics and direct his NIH-supported tissue engineering laboratory. His orthodontic specialty certificate and Ph.D. degree were earned at the University of Alberta. Dr. **Ali Hassan**, a recent graduate of the UIC orthodontic program, received a grant from the AAOF to support his Ph.D. research on orthodontic onplants. Drs. **John Burke, Mitra Derakhshan** and **Hasan Othman** won research awards at the College of Dentistry Clinic and Research Day. Drs. **Mitra Derakhshan, Yi-Chen Liu** and **Adel Al-Hadlaq** won Young Investigator Awards from the Chicago section of the American Association of Dental Research (AADR).

Orthodontic participation at the April IADR/AADR meeting in Washington, D.C., included presentations by the following graduate students: Drs. **Adel Al-Hadlaq, John Burke, Mitra Derakhshan, Xuan Lan Phan, Martha Mejia-Maidl, Hasan Othman, Yi-Chen Liu, Robert Thomas** and **Laura Zetu**. Faculty participating at the meeting were Drs. **Carla Evans, Jeremy Mao, Donald Giddon** and **Waldemar de Rijk**. Dr. Evans is a

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Director of the Craniofacial Biology Group of IADR/ AADR and Councilor of the Chicago Section, AADR.

Dr. **Cecile Yoon-Tarlie**, part-time faculty member, was selected as trustee for the Illinois Society of Orthodontists and appointed to the AAO's New and Younger Member Advisory Committee. She was on the local arrangements committee for the joint meetings of the 100th Annual Session of the American Association of Orthodontists, Fifth International Orthodontic Congress and second meeting of the World Federation of Orthodontists in Chicago. Faculty members speaking at the meetings were Drs. **Andrew Haas, Sheldon Rosenstein, David Musich, Bill Hohlt, T. M. Graber** and **Carla Evans**. Special recognition was noted to honor Dr. **T. M. Graber** for his contributions as editor-in-chief of the *AJO/DO* and Dr. **James Baldwin** for his expertise as a teacher.

Dr. **Cyril Sadowsky** was Guest Editor for the March 2000 issue of *Seminars in Orthodontics* entitled, "Objectives-Driven Orthodontics: Effectiveness of Mechanotherapy," a UIC-derived volume with articles by Drs. **Cyril Sadowsky, Martha Mejia-Maidl, Cecile Yoon-Tarlie, Carla Evans, Budi Kusnoto, Bernard Schneider, Terry Sellke, Zane Muhl, Leslie Will** and **Ellen BeGole**. Dr. **T. M. Graber's** third edition of his textbook, *Orthodontics: Current Principles and Techniques*, is now available from Mosby, Inc., with chapters by



Receiving Young Investigator Awards from Dr. Wald de Rijk (l), President of the Chicago section of the AADR, are (l to r) Drs. Yi-Chen Liu, Adel Al-Hadlaq and Mitra Derakhshan.

UIC faculty members Drs. **Ellen BeGole**, biostatistics; **Claude Matasa**, biomaterials; and **David Musich**, orthognathic surgical treatment. Dr. Graber is also Editor-designate of the new *World Journal of Orthodontics* to be headquartered at UIC and published by Quintessence. Dr. Evans is Associate Editor.

In late April at the American Dental Association building, the Illinois orthodontic alumni held their quadrennial meeting featuring the "Old Dogs and Young Pups." Dr.

**Andrew Haas** arranged the program for the first day with presentations by some senior alumni such as Drs. **Robert Ricketts, Hideo Mitani, Lou Andria, Russ Kittleson, Sam Berkowitz, Terry Sellke, Robert Manasse** and **Andrew Haas**. The second day consisted of presentations by recent graduates – young pups – that were based on their published articles. The young alumni presentations were given by Drs. **Lawrence Hier, Peter Lam, Jeong Kim, Stuart Robb, Lisa Davis, Gary Bension** and **Cecile Yoon-Tarlie**. After the presentations, an open house was held at the College of Dentistry, so that alumni could tour the Ricketts Education and Research Center, the new Brodie Research Center and the World Journal of Orthodontics' office. Two presentations were given by new faculty members, Dr. **Jeremy Mao** on "Tissue Engineering" and Dr. **Budi Kusnoto** on "3-D Imaging."

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## University of Manitoba

The University of Manitoba held its inaugural Orthodontic Alumni Association meeting during the AAO Annual Session in Chicago. A great turnout ensured a memorable inauguration. Dean **Johan** and **Lizette deVries** attended this milestone meeting and joined inaugural Co-chair Dr. **Ken Danyluk**, current orthodontic Chair Dr. **Billy Wiltshire** and former Chair Dr. **Ed Yen** (now Dean at University of British Columbia) in bringing greetings. Alumni from as far away as Dubai, Columbia and Australia attended the function. Plans are already underway for a bumper alumni function in Toronto in 2001.

Dr. **Michael Woods**, Head of Orthodontics at Melbourne, Australia, was recently a visiting professor at Manitoba where he presented three interesting seminars to faculty and graduate students.

Appreciation awards were presented recently to Drs. **Alan Baker** and **Jay Winburn** in recognition of dedicated and outstanding long-term, part-time teaching in the Graduate Orthodontic Program. Mr. **Brian McCann**, retired Senior Orthodontic Technician, was recognized for 32 years of dedicated service.

We say good-bye to our third-year graduates, Dr. **Cynthia McNeill** who will be practicing in Toronto, Ontario; Dr. **Ivan Hucal** who is opening a practice in Red Deer, Alberta; and Dr. **Todd Jarotski**, who will be opening a practice in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Best wishes to all of you. We will miss you!

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Congratulations to our second-year residents, Drs. **Brent Nickolaychuk, Ben Nemeth** and **Chris Woolaver**, who presented their research findings at the AAO Annual Session in Chicago.

Dr. **Billy Wiltshire** has been invited to present lectures at the Orthopedics Congress in Germany in October and at the Indian Orthodontic Conference in Jaipur, India, in November.

At present, we are preparing for our accreditation site visit scheduled for February 2001 and will be holding a retreat at Dr. **Jay Winburn**'s cottage in Clearlake, in late October to finalize accreditation matters.

Dr. **Lysle Johnston**, from the University of Michigan, will be presenting a morning CE course on Saturday, September 30th. Diarize now!!

I am happy to welcome three orthodontists to our part-time graduate orthodontic teaching staff: Drs. **Hermann Lee, Bruce McFarlane** and **Dan Sullivan**. Also, a hearty welcome to Drs. **Hermann Lee, Dan Sullivan, Bruce McFarlane, Wally Nider, Susan Lucas** and **Roger Moir** who are teaching in the Undergraduate Orthodontic Clinic.

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## University of Minnesota

Our second-year residents are about to graduate. They are busy completing the research and writing for their Master's theses.

• Dr. **Scott Bowlby**'s project was "The Effects of Orthodontic Treatment Philosophies on General Practitioner Referral Patterns." He will be joining Drs. Cavanaugh, Holmberg, Liljemark and Vayda at Edina Orthodontic Associates.

• Dr. **Eric Overby**'s thesis was "An Examination of the Role of the Mixed Dentition Analysis in Orthodontic Treatment Planning." He will be practicing with Drs. Leonard and Finnegan at Alpha Orthodontics in Austin, Minnesota.

• Dr. **Kim Bohlig** looked at the "Quantification of Dental Plaque on Orthodontic Patients Using Digital Imaging." She will be joining Drs. Jolstad, Nelson and Tiziani in the practice of Lake Minnetonka Orthodontics.

• Dr. **Kumar Grandhi** studied the "Shear Bond Strength of Stainless Steel Orthodontic Brackets Bonded with Moisture-Insensitive Primer." He will begin a full-time tenure-track faculty position as Assistant Professor at UMKC Orthodontic Department in Kansas City.

• Dr. **Jacqueline DeLeon**'s thesis was the "Shear Bond Strength of Orthodontic Brackets to Dental Amalgam Using Phase II Reliance Products." She is interested in locating a practice in Orange County, California.

• Dr. **Robert Miller** studied "The Effects of Over-the-Counter Analgesics on the Local Production of Prostaglandins in Orthodontic Tooth Movement." He has not yet finalized his practice plans.

Clinic renovations are underway in the Division of Orthodontics. Over the past six months a separate room for financing and accounting has been created as well as a computer room for the residents. The School of Dentistry is updating the operatory chairs and mobile units.

Our seven-year cycle accreditation review process was positive. As a result of the committee's report, we will be instituting additional measures of student outcomes. Expect to receive a survey from us soon! This survey will compile information on the practice patterns of our graduates as well as information on professional and community organization involvement.

Our faculty is continuing to conduct research in a variety of areas. Dr. **Mike Speidel** recently attended the Midwest Angle Society meeting in St. Thomas. He presented a paper entitled, "Cephalometric Analysis of the Effects of High Pull Headgear and Permanent First Molar Extractions in Correction of Anterior Openbite." Dr. Speidel also gave a presentation at the AAO Annual Session in Chicago on "Risk Management for the Practicing Orthodontist."

Drs. **Pat Vayda** and **John Beyer** presented papers at the International Association of Dental Research Meeting in April in Washington, D.C. Dr. Vayda's presentation examined the effect of short-term analgesic usage on the rate of orthodontic tooth movement. Dr. Beyer's presentation looked at the ability of a polymeric coating material, applied to the teeth, to modify plaque accumulation in orthodontic patients.

Dr. Beyer is developing a research program in finite element analysis as it relates to bone remodeling. He is currently preparing manuscripts for publication of his initial work which studies the finite element analysis of alveolar bone and corpus strains within the human mandible.

The University of Minnesota Orthodontic Alumni Association met in Chicago in conjunction with the AAO Annual Session. It was a resounding success with 89 attendees, 53 of whom were alumni of the school. Plans are to have another reunion next year in Toronto. We hope to see you there.

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## University of Missouri – Kansas City

The alumni and the dean have enhanced our program by providing financial support for several speakers this spring. Dr. **Bhavna Shroff** from the University of Maryland presented two separate series, one on “Biomechanics” and another on the “Biology of Tooth Movement.” Dr. **John Casco** from the University of Iowa gave a day-long presentation on “Orthognathic Surgery and the Orthodontic Patient.” In addition, alumni funds were enhanced by sharing the costs of a speaker, Dr. **Ron Hathaway** from the University of Indiana, with the Tweed Midwest Society. He gave a day presentation on “Orthognathic Surgery and Craniofacial Patients.”

This spring the department was active in presenting research results. Several scientific posters were presented at the AAO Annual Session. Drs. **Tradd Harter**, **Bryant Hirsberg**, **Justin Brown**, **Kathy Kula** and **Ted Kula** presented their research comparing the resolution of a 35 mm and two digital cameras, the reliability of computerized and manual cephalometric measurements and the debonding rate of precoated and uncoated orthodontic brackets. Dr. **Kathy Kula**, working with Drs. **Alan Glaros**, **Brent Larson** and **Orhan Tuncay**, won first place in the American Association of Dental Schools’ educational research competition for their survey, “Why Orthodontic Faculty Consider Leaving Academia.” Dr. **Kathy Kula** will present an abstract at the Surgeon General’s Conference on “The Face of a Child.” She will describe the Brown Foundation support of orthodontic treatment at UMKC.

Dr. **Bob Morrison**, Hutchinson, Kansas, received the award for the Outstanding Alumnus for 2000 during the UMKC Orthodontic Alumni Meeting. All of his family were able to attend the special luncheon at which Bob was honored.

Our thanks to Drs. **Brenda Chockley**, **Clarence Simmons** and **Craig Ratzlaff** who gave their time and lots of good ideas for practice building and management during the Schweitzer Symposium this year. The second-year residents picked up a lot of pointers from the talks. Brenda and Jon Cooper were blessed with a beautiful son shortly after the symposium.

The second-year residents are looking forward to graduation. Dr. **Brad Smith** is staying in the Kansas City area. His plans to associate with Dr. **Dean Dyer** have been finalized. Dr. **Justin Brown** will return home to Salt Lake City, Utah, and will be building his own practice while associating on a part-time basis with two other orthodontists. Dr. **Bart Girdwood** also would like to return to his

roots and has settled on a practice in Cincinnati, Ohio. Dr. **Bryant Hirsberg** is combining his orthodontic training with his accounting background and will return home to Clarksdale, Mississippi, to start his own practice.

We are anticipating the arrival of a new faculty member, Dr. **Ram Grandhi**. Dr. Grandhi received his orthodontic training at the University of Minnesota. In addition, he has a periodontic certificate. He will be a great addition to the department. We are also advertising for an endowed chair faculty position made possible by Dr. **Leo Rogers**.

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## University of Nebraska

One of our full-time faculty, Dr. **Laura Iwasaki**, was recently awarded a Biomedical Research Award grant from the AAOF for her project entitled, “The In Vivo and In Vitro Effects of Known Mechanical Systems on Tooth Movement and Periodontal Ligament Cell Biology.” The project proposal was designated the B.F. Dewel Memorial Biomedical Research Award for 2000. At the end of April, Dr. Iwasaki competed in the U.S. Masters National Short Course swim meet, placing eighth in the 50-yard freestyle.

Our three second-year postgraduate students presented at the Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum held February 19, 2000, in Omaha. Special congratulations go to Dr. **Rob Walker**, winner of a \$200 cash award for “Excellent Presentation by a Dental Graduate or Postgraduate Student.” Drs. **Chris Witek** and **Ping Yao** received certificates for their participation in the poster presentations.

At the IADR General Session held April 5-8, in Washington, D.C., Dr. Iwasaki presented a paper entitled, “Tests of Numerically Modeled Masticatory Muscle Forces in Humans.” Dr. **Brian Baird**, 1999 alumnus, presented his research entitled, “TMJ Eminence Morphology Predicted by Numerical Modeling.”

Dr. **Robert Walker** received a cash award for Second Place Grad/Post-Grad at the Annual Student Scientific Program at the College of Dentistry Professionals’ Day on March 17. His table clinic was entitled, “Tests of Two Numerical Models of Neuromuscular Control of the Mandible.” Drs. Witek and Yao also presented table clinics.

During the AAO 100th Annual Session held in Chicago, our second-year students participated in the annual CDABO-sponsored Resident Case Display. Drs. Walker and Yao presented Scientific Posterboards of their research

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and Drs. **Anthony Cha**, **Paul Petsche** and **Jared Randall**, first-year residents, presented a table clinic entitled, "Nickel Hypersensitivity Associated with Trauma and Local Irritation: A Case Report." Dr. **Jeffrey Nickel** presented an Oral Research Abstract entitled, "Human Cytokine Concentrations and Tooth Movement in Response to Low Force Magnitudes." Dr. Witek presented his research at the American Association of Immunology meeting, May 13-16 in Seattle, Washington.

We certainly enjoyed seeing all the alumni and friends of the program at our Nebraska alumni reception in Chicago.

Drs. Walker, Witek and Yao will graduate at the end of June. Dr. Walker's Master's thesis is entitled, "Tests of Numerically Modeled Muscle Activity During Biting in Humans." He plans to start private practice in Mesa, Arizona. "Analysis of the IL-12 Exon 1 and Exon 2 Promoter Regions in Mice" is the title of Dr. Witek's thesis. Following graduation he will start a private practice in Madison, Wisconsin. Dr. Yao also plans on private practice but still has not determined where she will locate. Her thesis is entitled, "The Effect of Orthognathic Surgery on Human Craniomandibular Mechanics."

After over 30 years of devoted service to our program, Dr. **Tom Moriarty** will be departing from our part-time orthodontic faculty, limiting his teaching to the pediatric dental program in Omaha. Dr. Moriarty will be sorely missed by us all! Dr. **Robert Schoettger**, Lincoln, has agreed to teach part-time in our postgraduate program. He is an alumnus of our orthodontic program, an ABO Diplomate and a member of the MSO Board of Directors. Thanks, Bob!

Our three new students, all recent dental graduates, will enter our orthodontic program on July 1, 2000. They are Dr. **Scott Gibson** of the University of Iowa, Dr. **Navin Hukmani** of the University of Maryland and Dr. **Albert Tutor** of the University of Mississippi.

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## Help Wanted

Be sure to see the June 5, 2000, issue of the *ADA News* for the article about Dr. **Frank Whipps** and his mission trips to Belize to provide dental care. For further information about how you can participate, please call 618/532-1821.

## Future Meetings

### 2000 MEETINGS

- August 4-6** — Ann Arbor, Michigan; GORP at the University of Michigan.
- August 20-23** — Okoboji, Iowa; Iowa Summer Orthodontic Seminar; "Current Concepts in Orthodontic Treatment" by the University of Iowa faculty.
- September 7-10** — New Orleans, Louisiana; Midwestern Society of Orthodontists/Southwestern Society of Orthodontists Annual Session.
- September 9** — New Orleans, Louisiana; Missouri Society of Orthodontists Annual Business Meeting.
- September 11-12** — Wisconsin Society of Orthodontists; Dr. Vince Kokich on "Interdisciplinary Treatment."
- September 15** — Northfield, Minnesota; Minnesota Association of Orthodontists; Dr. Terry Pracht on "The Platinum Age of Orthodontics."
- October 2** — Oak Brook, Illinois; Illinois Society of Orthodontists; Dr. James McNamara.
- October 8-10** — Iowa City, Iowa; Iowa Society of Orthodontists Annual Meeting; Dr. Thomas Zeigler on estate planning and practice transition.
- October 14-18** — Chicago, Illinois; American Dental Association Annual Session.
- October 27** — Fargo, North Dakota; North Dakota Society of Orthodontists; Ms. Char Eash on practice management.
- November 4** — Columbia, Missouri; Missouri Society of Orthodontists; Dr. Lynn Mouden on "Dentistry's Role in Preventing Child Abuse and Neglect."
- November 6** — Oak Brook, Illinois; Illinois Society of Orthodontists; Ms. Charlene White.

### 2001 MEETINGS

- January 12-13** — Minneapolis, Minnesota; Minnesota Association of Orthodontists; Dr. Lysle Johnston.
- January 22** — Oak Brook, Illinois; Illinois Society of Orthodontists; Dr. Young Kim.
- February 3-10** — Vail, Colorado; Iowa Winter Orthodontic Seminar on Surgical Orthodontics.
- March 12** — Oak Brook, Illinois; Illinois Society of Orthodontists; Dr. Richard Roblee.
- May 5-9** — Toronto, Ontario, Canada; American Association of Orthodontists Annual Session.
- October 13-17** — Kansas City, Kansas; American Dental Association Annual Session.
- October 16-22** — Palm Springs, California; Midwestern Society of Orthodontists/Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists Annual Session.

## LOOKING FOR AN ASSOCIATE?

The American Association of Orthodontists currently has two programs to help those seeking opportunities in orthodontics.

The **Practice Opportunity Service** is a program designed to match members offering practice opportunities with those seeking opportunities. These matches can be in the form of an associateship, a partnership or the buying and selling of a practice.

The **Associate Opportunity Service** is a program of matching practicing orthodontists needing temporary or part-time help with those individuals looking for an opportunity to practice one or two days per week on a temporary basis.

All information is maintained in a confidential manner. This service can be particularly helpful for younger members who are seeking opportunities to practice in a traditional office setting. Members who are considering bringing in an associate or partner or are planning their retirement can also benefit. Orthodontic education programs should also contact this service as it could be a worthwhile benefit to orthodontic residents.

To request an application or for additional information, please call Billie White at the AAO office in St. Louis at 800/424-2841, extension 271, or e-mail her at [bwhite@aaortho.org](mailto:bwhite@aaortho.org).



## MSO Annual Session Fairmont Hotel New Orleans, Louisiana September 7-10, 2000

This meeting will be held in conjunction with the Southwestern Society of Orthodontists. Information and registration materials were mailed in June. Contact the MSO if you have any questions.

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