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President's Message

by Bob Nemeth



The members of the executive council, planning committee and their families invite you and your family to attend the 28th Annual Meeting of The College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics in Park City, UT. Your participation will be well worth the time.

You and your family will come away with memories unlike those taken from any other dental meeting.

The scientific and social programs are special because of your colleagues and their families, the lecture program and the site. If you have not registered, "Light the Fire Within" and join us today. You won't regret it!

The registration brochure is posted at www.cdabo.org or see pages 4 - 5.

CDABO Courses, Luncheon a Success at AAO



By Jim Morrow

CDABO events held recently at the 2006 AAO Annual Session in Las Vegas were very successful.

The Phase II Preparatory Course drew 60 participants. Instructors were **Peter Buschang** and **Larry Tadlock**.

Three Model Measurement Courses were filled with a total of 85 participants. **Dick Ridgley** was lead instructor with assistance from other CDABO Councilors.

The Annual CDABO Luncheon served 181 and hosted four award presentations. **John Bilodeau** received the CDABO 2006 Clinical Case Report of the Year Award. The ABO presented **George Selfridge** of St. Louis, MO the 2006 Earl E. and Wilma S. Shepard Award. **Richard Aubrey** of Dallas, TX (posthumous), **James Baldwin** of Indianapolis, IN and **Edward Genecov** of Dallas, TX received the Dale B. Wade Award of Excellence in Orthodontics.



(Top) A number of Orthodontic Department Chairs attended the CDABO Luncheon. (Center) John Carter assists at the Model Measurement Course. (Bottom) John Bilodeau receives the CDABO 2006 Clinical Case Report Article of the Year award.

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Council in Action

by Bob Nemeth

The Council is investigating ways to increase attendance at the ABO/CDABO gatherings held in conjunction with fall constituent meetings. Suggestions are welcome by e-mailing a councilor (e-mail addresses on back page) or cdabo@charter.net.

Dot Whalen reported that over 50 graduate programs displayed cases at the AAO meeting in May in Las Vegas. CDABO combined the previous Phase III Preparatory Course with the Model Measurement Course because of the standardized forms the ABO now uses.

Dick Ridgley noted this course had a wait list with a final of 85 participants at three different offerings. This course has been very helpful for those preparing their cases for presentation and taking the oral exams.

Jim Morrow stated that 60 attendees were present for the Phase II Preparatory Course given in Las Vegas.

CDABO and the ABO are exploring the possibility of voluntary recertification at our summer meeting to make it easier for those who wish to participate. This in no way jeopardizes your lifetime certificate. It is only a way for the ABO Board to evaluate the process.

The CDABO Foundation is considering a donation to sponsor a speaker's honorarium at future meetings, especially since we may alter our present format based on members' request.

The Strategic Planning Committee is working in four major areas to address changing times. These are: future meetings, revising the CDABO mission statement, university involvement and the College structure and standing committees.

As far as university involvement, CDABO members could help with model measuring, mentoring, case selection and administering mock boards.

The re-designed CDABO Web site should be live prior to the July meeting. Features will include: general information for the public, specific infor-

mation on local Diplomates, meeting and course registration, ordering the *Step Beyond Brochure* and a guide to all CDABO services.

Although ABO sets policies, guidelines and requirements for certification, over the past five years we have endorsed early certification mimicking the medical model. We believe the current process is the way of the future.

CDABO Meeting Site Selection

By Philip Markin

The CDABO Council's first priority is to satisfy the membership. We pay great attention to the surveys that are taken at each meeting.

These surveys tell us the good, the bad and the ugly. They tell us how the membership feels about both the lectures and the facility. The survey also critiques speakers, meals and events.

As an example, the membership has repeatedly asked for Bermuda as a meeting site. That location has been carefully examined. There is only one facility on the island large enough to handle our organization and it is prohibitively expensive. Because we do not share expenses with other organizations and do not accept sponsorship from suppliers, the Council watches the meeting budget carefully. If room rates are too high, air transportation too difficult, eating facilities limited, or lecture rooms too expensive, we have to disregard the site.

By using the facility's group catering and sleeping rooms, significant charges may be defrayed. A meeting room for lectures can be expensive unless significant food service and a guaranteed block of hotel rooms is utilized.

Council members have visited sites around the country at their own expense. However, we have difficulty locating sites in the East that will satisfy all of the criteria that we require. If you have a suggested location, please let the CDABO office know. We have not given up. We will make every effort to rotate our meeting East, Central and West.

AAO Report

by Donald R. Joondeph
AAO 2006 - 2007 President



Greetings from the AAO! Andrea and I look forward to joining you at the CDABO meeting in Park City, Utah this summer. I want you to know that the AAO Board appreciates all that CDABO does to increase the number of ABO certified AAO members.

One of the goals in the AAO's Strategic Plan is to support the ABO's efforts to increase the number of American Board certified orthodontists. As you are aware, 35 percent of AAO members are now ABO Diplomates! This represents the largest percentage jump in the ABO's 76 year history and is largely due to the recent changes made by the ABO, with support from CDABO, to encourage and facilitate the certification process.

An AAO-ABO Liaison Committee was recently established to have an opportunity to enhance communication and to discuss issues of mutual concern. The Committee last met at the AAO Annual Session in San Francisco. Among the topics discussed was a request by the ABO to make the exam more accessible

by giving the written examination at Pearson Vue testing centers throughout the United States and Canada rather than in conjunction with the AAO Annual Session.

Although this decision may impact the number of orthodontic students/residents attending the AAO meeting, the AAO Board felt that this change would be beneficial as it would allow candidates to take the examination at a location of their choice under the supervision of trained proctors.

It is also our hope that the change, effective this year, will encourage orthodontic program Directors to more easily use this test as an exit examination for graduating students/residents and to facilitate outcome measures as well as to provide results for state board examinations.

At the ABO's request, the AAO established a link on the front page of the AAO Web site which takes the user directly to the Gateway Offer on the ABO's Web site. This addition will make it quicker and easier for candidates to access the needed information for certification.

The ABO Director selection process was also reviewed and discussed. Other than clarification issues and minor procedural changes, both boards agreed that no changes are necessary at this time. The committee did feel, however, that it would be beneficial to develop written guidelines for each constituent to use as they go through the director selection process.

The ABO agreed to provide the ABO's financial statement annually to the AAO Board of Trustees and House of Delegates as well as to publish a financial summary in *The Bulletin*.

AAO Board of Trustees look forward to working with the ABO and CDABO to encourage the highest level of orthodontic care by promoting American Board of Orthodontics certification by AAO members. To facilitate communication between our boards, I have appointed Ray George, Sr. as our AAO-CDABO liaison for this coming year.

My best regards for a successful and productive year!

CDABO

Foundation Report

by John W. M. Carter

The CDABOF Board has been charged this year with the responsibility of consolidating all Foundation assets and day-to-day operations from Dallas, TX to St. Charles, MO. Burmeister & Associates, Inc. will now manage the Foundation's assets, records and donations.

Past donations and their respective donors are presently being consolidated in the St. Charles office from records obtained from William Stutts and from the Foundation's accountant Linda Crim. It is our goal to have a master list of all donors with their accumulated total donations given by our Annual Meeting in Park City, UT. We should also have a complete list of all assets from all donations received and where these monies are currently held.

The other charge that our Board has been given for this year is to select one or more projects that the Foundation could sponsor this year that will meet the goals and mission of the Foundation.

The current officers and Board members of the foundation are:
President – John Carter
Imm. Past President – Roberto Justus
President-Elect – Robert Nemeth
Secretary/Treasurer – William Stutts

Foundation Board members are:
William Wallert
George Ewan
Rodney Hyduk
Tim Kane
Arthur C. Reed
Robert Staley
John Wahlig
Raymond George, Sr.

We welcome suggestions for future projects that the Foundation may sponsor and encourage members of the College to donate to the Foundation. All donations should be sent to:

CDABO Foundation, 3260 Upper Bottom Rd., St. Charles, MO 63303



2006 CDABO Summer Meeting Something for Everyone

By Tom Skafidas, 2006 Meeting General Chair

The CDABO Planning Committee is looking forward to welcoming you and your family to the annual summer meeting, July 15-19, 2006 at Stein Eriksen Lodge in Park City, UT.

This five-diamond, four-star resort opened in 1982 by the Olympic gold medal skier, Stein Eriksen, for which the resort is named. The lodge hosts a design that combines European elegance and mountain architecture. The lodge is located mid-mountain at Deer Valley Resort® and sits under Rocky Mountain peaks as a place of unrivaled beauty.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS – Rooms are limited but still available at printing date to be reserved on a space available basis by calling 800-453-1302. You will be charged a first night's room and tax and cancellation within 30 days will result in forfeiture of full payment of individual's entire length of stay.

TRANSPORTATION - The Stein Eriksen Lodge is conveniently located approximately thirty-five minutes from Salt Lake City International Airport just outside Park City, home of the 2002 Winter Olympics. For directions, car rental discount and ground transportation information, refer to the registration brochure (go to www.cdabo.org).

TOURS – If you have already registered for tours, confirmation and changes should be done directly by e-mail to cdabo@vipdestination.com for DestinationVIP. Tours are sold on a

space-available basis by faxing the tour registration form directly to them at 435-615-2182.

GOLF – Based on availability as there is limited space this year, you may still be able to get in the golf tournament on Monday, July 17 by faxing the form to CDABO.

MEETING REGISTRATION – Register by June 15 to save!

PROGRAM – Be sure to note that the Welcome Reception is on Saturday night instead of Sunday as in past meetings. The meeting ends on Wednesday this year.

2006 CDABO Meeting Schedule

Go to www.cdabo.org for full schedule and registration info.

Saturday, July 15

Welcome Reception at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 16

Family Breakfast at 7:30 a.m.

Thomas Southard – *What We Believe: Evidence-Based Orthodontics*

Anne Marie Kuijpers-Jagtman – *Evidence-Based Orthodontic Care: A Challenge!*

Monday, July 17

Greg Huang – *An Evidence-Based Assessment of Anterior Open-Bite Therapy*

Charles Burstone – *Flat Earth Orthodontics – Myths in Goals and Therapy*

Tuesday, July 18

David Turpin – *Practicing with the Evidence*

Harry Legan – *An Orthodontist's Evidence-Based Approach to Treating Obstructive Sleep Apnea*

Olympic Park President's Dinner 6 pm

Wednesday, July 19

Jason Cope – *Temporary Anchorage Devices in Orthodontics: Clinical Experimentation or Evidence-Based?*

Depart after Noon

2006 Meeting Honorary Chair: Raymond C. Thurow

Ray Thurow will be honored at the 28th Annual Meeting for his service to CDABO as a founder, charter member and president emeritus. As the first president of the College, he presided at CDABO's Annual Meeting in 1981 in Cape Cod, MA.

In addition to his continued service to CDABO, he has been president of the following organizations: American Board of Orthodontics, American Association of Orthodontists, Midwestern Society of Orthodontists, Midwestern Component of the E.H. Angle Society of Orthodontists, University of Illinois Orthodontic Alumni Association, Wisconsin Society of Orthodontists, Dane County Dental Society and Wisconsin Dental Study Club. He has authored a number of textbooks and articles, served as editor-in-chief of the *Angle Orthodontist*, lectured internationally and received patents for several products.

He received his postgraduate orthodontic degree from the University of Illinois and now enjoys retirement in Verona, WI with his wife Jean after a career in private practice in Madison, WI.

Summer Meeting Offers Everyone in the Family

Musich is Recipient of Award of Merit

This year's CDABO Award of Merit recipient is David R. Musich, of Schaumburg, IL. This CDABO award will be presented at the 2006 CDABO Annual Meeting for his unselfish dedication to the CDABO activities.

Musich is a native Chicagoan. He spent the first five years of his specialty career as a full-time faculty member at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine. In that position he became director of graduate orthodontics, acting chairman of the Department of Orthodontics, and orthodontic consultant to the Craniofacial Anomalies/Cleft Palate Team at Children's Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania.

He has been a contributor to the last four editions of the book *Current Orthodontic Concepts and Techniques*. He currently has a full-time practice of orthodontics in Schaumburg, IL and continues to teach part-time at the University of Pennsylvania and University of Illinois. He also lectures extensively on methods to simplify the management of complicated orthodontic problems.

He is board certified and is a member of the Edward H. Angle Society of Orthodontists (EHASO). He is president-elect of EHASO.

2006 CDABO Annual Member Business Meetings Stein Eriksen Lodge Park City, Utah

1st Business Meeting
Mon., July 17 • 8:00 – 8:45 a.m.

2nd Business Meeting
Tues., July 18 • 8:00 – 8:45 a.m.



Bylaws Changes

By Lars Keso, Chair

The following bylaws revision is being proposed by the bylaws committee (Lars Keso - Chair, Tucker Haltom, Perry Opim, Art Reed and Dorothy Whalen) for action at the CDABO annual business meeting in July:

Resolved, that Article IV, Section 3 Nominations, be amended by addition of "only at the first business meeting" to A. If amended will read:

A. Nominations shall be made by the Nominating Committee and published in the call for the annual meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor only at the first business meeting.

Background: Intention is to allow members the time between the two business meetings to fully evaluate the candidate prior to voting.

Nominating Report

By John Carter, Chair

The CDABO Nominating Committee (John Carter - Chair, Roberto Justus and Raymond George, Sr.) has placed in nomination the following:

Richard Ridgley - President
Thomas Skafidas - President-Elect
Tucker Haltom - Secretary
Philip Markin - Treasurer
Jim Morrow - Sr. Councilor (06-08)

The floor will be open for additional nominations at the first business meeting on Monday, July 17. Elections will be held at the second business meeting on Tuesday, July 18.

Hyduk, Marshall and Whalen will continue their existing Councilor terms.

CDABO Councilor Nominee Named

The nominating committee is pleased to announce the candidate for the new Junior Councilor position is Michael B. Guess of PCSO.

Guess earned his Bachelor of Science and his Doctor of Dental Surgery degrees from the University of California. He completed his specialty training in orthodontics at Ohio State University where he received a Master of Science in Dentistry, a Master of Arts in Educational Administration and his certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies in Orthodontics. He became a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics in 1999.

He has written three teaching manuals and has had over 20 scientific articles published while maintaining a full-time private practice.

Guess has been very active in the College of Diplomates as a member of the mentor committee, the CDABO Foundation's Board and as a judge and committee member of the resident case display committee. He practices in El Dorado Hills, CA.

Hold these Dates for Future CDABO Meetings:

July 15-19, 2006
Stein Eriksen Lodge
Park City, UT

July 15-19, 2007
Ritz Carlton® Half Moon Bay
Half Moon Bay, CA

ABO Report

by Vance J. Dykhouse
ABO 2006 - 2007 President



As I approach the beginning of my presidential year of the ABO, two items stand out. First, I marvel at how fast the first seven years have passed by. Secondly, I remember being so impressed by the dedication and the personal integrity the seven Directors that preceded me on the Board possessed. Now I look at the seven Directors that follow me and see the same qualities.

The majority of my work on the Board has been on the Written Exam Committee. I have certainly learned that composing a good test question is not an easy task. The written exam has made many progressive changes and improvements that I will review and then highlight key Board activities.

The biggest change in the written exam is that for the first time it will be given entirely on computers at Pearson Learning Centers throughout the country instead of at the AAO Annual Session. Pearson has over 200 testing centers in the U.S. so the candidate can take the exam in a convenient location any day during a designated week in April instead of one day at the AAO meeting.

Security concerns we have experienced before will be nullified with Pearson Centers. Pearson Centers have never had security problems as their system is encrypted and has rigid internal controls to prevent dishonesty.

The Board Case Report Oral Examination (BCROE) has been given entirely

on computer the past three years. The BCROE is the portion of the clinical exam where the candidate diagnoses and treatment plans two sets of beginning diagnostic records supplied by the Board. To date we have not had any problems with BCROE computerization.

A comprehensive reading list of textbooks and journal articles has been compiled and revised for candidates to review. The exam committee's goal of having a reference for each question on the written exam has also been completed.

Another big improvement on the written exam is the conversion of all casework from black and white photos to color. Better quality photographs are also in use for skull anatomy and cephalometric landmark identification.

In 2003 the Board made the decision to investigate test equating. Mary Lunz, Ph.D, and Measurement Research Associates in Chicago outlined a test equating exercise for the written committee that will serve us for five years.

Mary, along with our educational consultant, Rich Diemer, D.D.S., Ph.D, have really made us take a hard look at the construction of our test questions to improve the question's discrimination and difficulty. This has helped us improve the validity and reliability of the exam. Last year our reliability measured .89 which was a notable improvement.

Mike Riolo's idea to develop an educator Web site two years ago has been a huge asset to the written examination committee. The educators have noticeable input on our test questions. It has also lightened the committee's work load of writing appropriate questions for the various subjects that CODA requires being taught in an accredited program as educators are able to directly submit referenced questions on the Web.

The Gateway pathway to certification has increased the interest of the orthodontic community to complete their certification. The Board has averaged just over 300 people taking the exam from the early 1990's through 2004. In 2005, 347 candidates took the written exam at the sitting at the AAO Annual Session. At Pearson Centers during the week of April 20-25, 2006, 449 registered

to take the exam. Because of the renewed interest in the written exam, the Board is going to offer a special written examination the first week in December of 2006. This exam will be more clinical orientated and aimed at the experienced clinician who never took the written exam earlier in their career.

We encourage candidates to take the CDABO preparatory course given at the AAO Annual Session. I would like to personally compliment and thank Larry Tadlock and Peter Buschang for their hard work and commitment to this excellent course. The handout they have prepared for CDABO is outstanding.

The ABO Board presented a very successful Educator Symposium in October, 2005. Two faculty members were invited from every ADA accredited orthodontic program with 85 faculty attending. The Symposium focused on current and future ABO certification pathways and the impact of early certification on residents and orthodontic programs.

Beginning with orthodontic residents who graduate in 2007, the ABO will certify residents after their graduation from an ADA accredited program the following February in St. Louis. Certification will require the resident to pass the ABO written exam and the Initial Certification Exam. The requirements of the Initial Certification Exam are being developed but will require the cases presented to the Board to be started and completed by the recent graduate.

Seventeen accredited training programs participated in the Pilot Study which was evaluated by the board in February. Fifty residents from both 24 and 36-month programs presented up to 12 of their pre-selected cases where 82 percent were found to be acceptable. The results from this study will help determine the parameters and requirements of the Initial Certification Exam.

A 10-year time limited certificate will be issued at successful completion of the Initial Certification Exam. When the 10 year certificate expires, the orthodontist must successfully complete the First Recertification Exam to maintain certification. Following expiration of the First Recertification Exam Certifi-

cate, the clinician will have additional periodic re-examination to maintain certification through their career.

After February 2008, the ABO will offer only early certification to newly graduated orthodontists and discontinue all other pathways unless an individual has previously presented clinical cases for part of their certification. A pathway will be developed for newly-graduated orthodontists unable to present cases for the ICE.

The Board is encouraging orthodontists who accepted the Gateway offer to take the First Recertification Exam before their 5-year certificate expires. Successful

completion of the First Recertification Exam early will give the orthodontist a 10-year certification plus the number of years left in their Gateway certification. Taking this exam early would also insure the candidate not losing their certification if problems in their final year.

The entire ABO Board attended the World Federation of Orthodontists meeting in Paris last fall. It was very interesting to learn how other countries administer and conduct their boards.

The ABO's Web site receives over 40,000 hits per month. It allows the public to locate a board certified orthodontist by location or

zip code. Recertified orthodontists will have a special designation by their name.

I am excited about the future of the ABO. The new process has increased our membership and there now seems to be a genuine interest in board certification among both resident and older practitioners.

The ABO greatly appreciates CDABO's help in encouraging its members to voluntarily recertify. To date 203 board certified orthodontists have voluntarily certified. Non-time limited certificates are a relic of the past in medicine and dentistry. With CDABO, the ABO and the AAO working together,

the quality of care provided by our profession should be at its best to serve the public.

In closing, I would like to thank CDABO for their continued support of the ABO Board's activities and the camaraderie and friendship of CDABO members. Being able to attend CDABO's summer meeting is a very good reason to become board certified. One of my few regrets in orthodontics is that I was certified nearly 20 years before attending my first CDABO meeting in Quebec City. My wife and I had a super time and since then have missed only one meeting. We look forward to seeing you in Park City!

Welcome New Members

Joining CDABO from October 19, 2005 -May 31, 2006

Dr. Saad Al-Kharsa
Riyadh

Dr. Alexa Alborzi
San Mateo, CA

Dr. Jeffery Arigo
Brockport, NY

Dr. Charles Atkins, Jr.
Columbus, MS

Dr. Thomas Barron
Towson, MD

Dr. Shane Blacker
Tempe, AZ

Dr. Mohamed Hanif Butt
Somerville, MA

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