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## 1993 ANNUAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 2, 1993

Benson Hotel — Portland — Windsor Room

Meeting was called to order at 1:05 PM by President Ric Hoard, who announced that we would adjourn by 4:00 PM to allow for a meeting of the corporation of the Operative Dentistry journal. Members present were: Drs. Lambert, Eichmiller, Birkitt, Evans, Carlson, Ramage, Roberts, Heston, Max Anderson, Ron Harris, Bruce Smith, Richard D. Tucker, Gourley and Dave Bridgeman.

The agenda for the meeting and interim financial report were distributed to all present. Minutes of the February Board meeting were approved as published in the Gold Leaf. The financial situation was described as good, and it appeared as though the 1993 meeting would cost the Academy about \$2,000 over receipts. The Secretary-Treasurer stated that membership was down a bit, as those who had been delinquent after several notices, were being dropped.

#### Treasurer's Report:

An interim report was distributed to all present which consisted of the following:

Assets — October 28, 1993		
CDs	\$15,000.00	
Money Market	25,503.34	
Checking	25,707.43	
		\$66,210.77
Receipts — 1993	\$43,656.94	
Expenditures — 1993	24,824.05	
Net gain/loss		\$18,832.89
Dues + Journal Subscriptions	29,345.00	
Journal Subscriptions Paid	14,510.00	
Dues received — 1993	14,835.00	
(Dues received in 1992	20,111.00 — included portion of 1993 dues paid).	

Note: Calligraphy has been costing just over \$150 each year the past few years. That amount is now saved by doing certificates on the Mac computer. Additionally, secretarial services have ranged from \$50 to \$300 per year in the past years. This is no longer an expense item.

Dues paying members — 244.

Financial report was accepted.

#### Correspondence:

The obituary and funeral service bulletin for Ralph Boelsche were sent by Nell Faucett and were passed around for all to see.

A letter was received from Dr. Schmidtseder which included several of his thoughts for improving the stature of the Academy.

Letter from Len Kahane sending his regrets, and mentioning the Canadian Restorative Academy meeting always conflicts with ours.

A note from Bob Cannon's wife mentioning that he had suffered a stroke and would have to discontinue his membership. Life membership was granted to keep him informed.

Letters were sent and negative responses received from the Deans of the OHSU Dental Schools.

A letter was received from Al Vlazny regarding the disposal of about 80 Electromallets from Loyola Dental School, which have since been received by the Secretary-Treasurer to be distributed to other schools or study clubs. This will be advertised to the membership.

Notice was sent to the ADA Journal regarding our meeting, but it never appeared in print.

#### Journal Report:

Max Anderson distributed reports of the activities of the journal. Copies of the latest edition were distributed. The review process is being changed to allow for more expeditious handling of articles for publication. More clinical articles seem to be coming in. Mailing is being done without envelopes and seems to be working well and at less expense. Notations regarding sponsored research will give proper credits. Things are well ahead of schedule at this time, thanks in part to electronic mail. Size of the journal will change, to become more economical, as well as to conform to the size of others (8½ × 11). This will allow inclusion of more articles in a standard number of pages. In addition, there could be a savings of about \$1,000 per issue by changing the publisher. Max suggested that articles could now be published by about eight months after receipt in the journal office. Motion was made to give Max our approval to change size of the journal. Discussion followed and the motion passed. Max then asked that a reading list of current representative articles be collected and published, to bring practitioners up to date in various areas.

#### Annual Meeting Report:

Barry Evans said that things were in order. He said that there is a problem with some operators that do not register for the meeting. This was supposedly resolved in the past. The Secretary-Treasurer was directed to look into this in previous minutes and report on it at the Chicago meeting. Conflicts with various other meetings were mentioned as a detriment to our attendance. Reception is being funded by the exhibitors and should be well

received. They should be thanked for their support. Several operators are not yet members, but will be voted into membership prior to the clinical session.

#### Future Meetings:

1994 meeting will be held in Jackson, Mississippi due to a negative response from LSU. Houston also volunteered to host us, but Jackson is closer to New Orleans. Most of the arrangements have been made. The enthusiasm from the school has been most gratifying. The hotel is to be the Cabot's Lodge which is fairly reasonable, and includes breakfast each morning and an evening social hour, which is gratis. It is a newly remodeled facility and very close to the school. A pre-meeting evening affair has been arranged which promises to be casual and a lot of fun. The spouses' functions have also been arranged. Several major airlines service the area. The PM tour is programmed to visit Vicksburg — battlefields and gambling casinos.

1995 is at Las Vegas, and 1996 is at Orlando.

Ric suggested that by changing the time of our meetings, we should be able to get to very interesting locations, as well as to get to schools that would be more receptive with our group. In addition, by using a weekend, airline flights can be cheaper.

We may be committed to following the current plan for another year or so, and may have to find a spot in close proximity to the ADA annual session.

#### Committee Reports:

Literature and Research — Fred Eichmiller mentioned his presentation for the essay session. He also expressed Woody's regrets for having to cancel due to a health problem. Tim Carlson had a couple of additional references for the bibliography.

Nominating Committee — Fred Eichmiller and Craig Bridgeman have been selected to fill the two vacancies which will exist.

Membership — Jim Gourley indicated the number of new applicants (5) and the large number of those moving to Active membership. He suggested that there is no real need for this duplication of questions about individuals. In addition, the membership application should be reworded to become more realistic. The President is to appoint a Bylaws Committee of three members to take care of this, as well as several other matters. Current bylaws were waived to allow acceptance of three new members at this time. List of non-paying (and dropped) members was circulated around the table.

Inter-Academy Liaison — no report.

Public Relations — Sarah Werner was not present due to illness, but had sent a list of thoughts to the Board, including inviting local dentists and local and national study clubs to attend, encouraging student presence at our meetings, and including castings in the clinical portion.

Education and Study Clubs — Dick Tucker stated that his committee will try to compile a yearly calendar of foil courses offered, keep a file of committee activities to pass on to newer members, and suggests that the Student Achievement awardees receive a one year subscription to Operative Dentistry (this is already being done).

Necrology — Bill Roberts stated that "two giants", Gerry Stibbs and Ralph Boelsche had passed away. Jim Gourley said that Keith Yoshino had also recently died. Max requested a photo of Dr. Boelsche and article via the Secretary-Treasurer.

Outstanding Clinician — Tim Carlson said that his committee had chosen Warren Johnson.

Distinguished Member — The awardee this year is Lloyd Baum and Mel Lund will make the presentation.

A round of applause was given to Barry Evans and his wife for all the work in preparing things for this meeting.

#### Zürich Meeting 1994:

Allan Osborn was not present, but had submitted a letter regarding a meeting in Zürich, scheduled for October 7-8, 1994. All seemed to agree that the timing was not good, as it closely precedes our annual meeting. Ted Ramage also stated that it will conflict with the FDI meeting in Vancouver. The Swiss group has offered to pay the hotel costs for six presenters and wives.

#### Unfinished Business:

None apparent.

#### New Business:

The Electromallets — get in touch with RKH as soon as possible to distribute these to study clubs and/or schools. They will be mailed at no cost to individuals.

Bylaws have to be reviewed to reflect our current goals. They may have to be amended for now, as there could be some major changes in our future. It was mentioned that operators may be "using" the Academy to further their own means, with no intention of continuing their membership.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 P.M.



# A.A.G.F.O. Committees for 1993-4

Program:			Constitution and Bylaws:		
Dr. Glenn Birkitt	Chair.	1994	Dr. Jerry Heston	Chair.	
Dr. Barry Evans	Vice-Chair.		Dr. Tim Carlson		
Literature and Research:			Dr. Bob Keene		
Dr. Fred Eichmiller	Chair.	1994	Necrology:		
Dr. Harold Laswell		1994	Dr. William Roberts	Chair.	
Dr. Richard McCoy		1995	Dr. Nelson Rupp		
Dr. Max Anderson		1995	Dr. Richard V. Tucker		
Dr. Tim Carlson		1996	Outstanding Clinician:		
Dr. Melvin Lund		1996	Dr. Richard D. Tucker	Chair.	1994
Nominating:			Dr. Michael Cochran		1995
Dr. Michael Cochran	Chair.	1994	Dr. Warren Johnson		1996
Dr. Jerry Heston		1995	Distinguished Member:		
Dr. Richard Hoard		1996	Dr. Don Benson	Chair.	1994
Inter-Academy Liaison:			Dr. Nelson Rupp		1995
Dr. Ralph Lambert	Chair.	1995	Dr. Lloyd Baum		1996
Dr. Richard Hoard		1994	Ad Hoc Committee on European Section:		
Dr. Ron Harris (Sec.-Treas.)			Dr. Alan Osborn	Chair.	
Public Relations:			Dr. Jim Verneti		
Dr. Richard Nash	Chair.	1994	Dr. Harold Schnepfer		
Dr. Sarah Werner		1994	Dr. Michael Cochran		
Dr. Ron Zokol		1995	Dr. Andrea Chiarini		
Dr. Christianne Cochran		1996	Dr. Giancarlo Gallo		
Dr. David Bridgeman		1996	Ad Hoc Committee on Long Range Planning:		
Education and Study Clubs:			Dr. Bob Keene	Chair.	
Dr. Warren Johnson	Chair.	1995	Dr. Warren Johnson		
Dr. Ed Crooks		1994	Dr. Jack Seymour		
Dr. Roland Grubb		1994	Dr. Richard McCoy		
Dr. Barry Evans		1995	Dr. Ron Harris (Sec.-Treas.)		
Dr. Ted Ramage		1996			
Dr. James Gourley		1996			

## Banquet Gathering



Head Table.



Dr. Heston introduces the new board.



Secretary Harris, Dr. Craig Bridgeman, Dr. Fred Eichmiller, Dr. Ted Ramage, Dr. Glen Birkitt, Dr. Ralph Lambert and Dr. Barry Evans.



*Incoming President Dr. Ralph Lambert awards the Past President's Plaque.*



*Dr. Hoard receives Past President's Plaque.*







## Clinic Session



*Dr. Ralph Werner casts a critical eye.*



*Dr. Timothy Carlson.*



*Dr. Joseph Schmideder from Munich.*



*Dr. Ted Ramage admires Dr. Jan Strom's work.*



*What is he doing? Doctors McCoy, Brinker, Anderson and Smith.*



*Three Greats in attendance. Dr. William Roberts, Dr. Paul Dawson and Dr. Charles Stebner.*



*You got me baffled!*

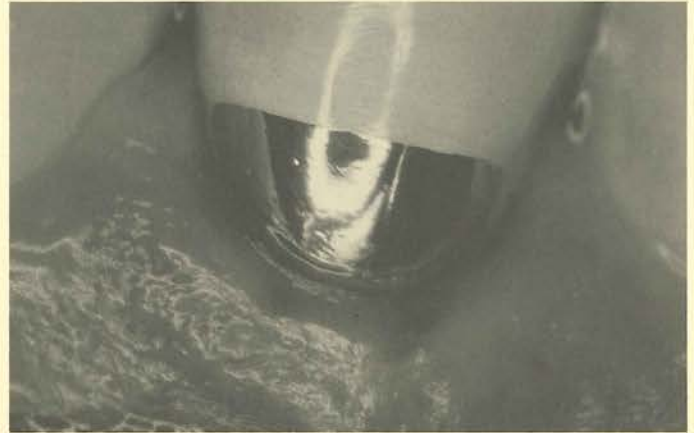
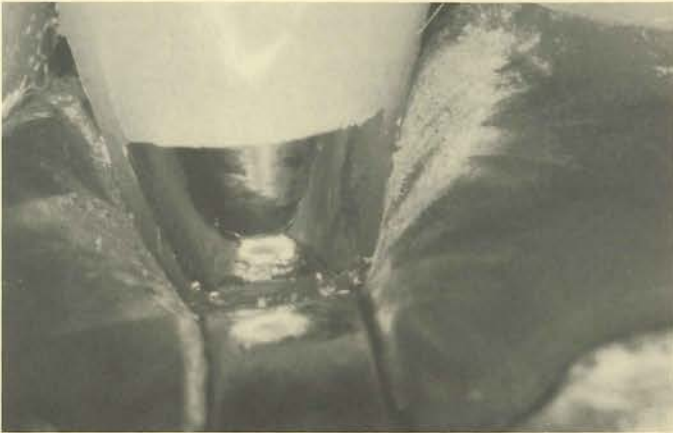




*Dr. Chet Gibson aided and abetted by Dr. Alfred Heston.*



*Editor observed.*



## Sightseeing

The afternoon following the clinical sessions at the University of Oregon Dental School was taken up by a most pleasant bus trip through the Oregon countryside. Various stops were made along the way at scenic points, and everyone enjoyed the experience, the highpoint being the visit to the hydroelectric complex to witness the salmon passing with ease against what appears to be a ferocious current.





# The Future Direction of the Academy

Prior to the didactic session President Ralph Lambert introduced three speakers each of whom had been given the task of addressing a particular viewpoint in regards to the future direction of the Academy. It is noteworthy that the premise upon which this was undertaken was that the individual speaker was to address a given point of view whether or not this in fact coincided with his own personal philosophy. Dr. Dick Tucker (Jr.) spoke to maintaining the Status Quo, while Dr. Craig Bridgeman advocated mild change, with the incorporation of cast gold procedures at the meetings where possible. This is something that actually took place for the first time at the meeting in Portland. Dr. Bob Keene was left to argue the more extreme position of radical change. This he accomplished cleanly and thoroughly with a minimum of fuss and emotion.

The audience response was a mixture of perplexion and some emo-

tive disbelief. Those from further afield were quite surprised that there was any exigency extant that could conceivably warrant drastic change to such an auspicious academy. There was widespread agreement that a broader range of lecture topic was needed to make the meetings more fully rounded and contributory in a meaningful professional manner, and an acceptance that cast gold could indeed have a place, even if somewhat limited, at the annual meetings.

As an afterthought members of the Academy could contribute to many of the Prosthodontic Programs were we to approach the various universities currently sponsoring such programs with the suggestion that they incorporate a 2-3 day foil program in the manner of Zürich where foil is utilized as an aid to the development of the candidates within the Prosthodontic/Perio Program.



*Secretary Dr. Ronald Harris introduces Panel Discussion about the future direction of the Academy.*



*Dr. Robert Keene.*



*Dr. Richard Tucker.*



*Dr. Bruce Smith — our beloved Founding President.*



*Dr. Stebner.*





# 1993 Distinguished Member Award

## Presentation by Dr. Melvin Lund

It is my pleasure on behalf of the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators to make the presentation of the Distinguished Member Award. The recipient for this award is Lloyd Baum, who holds a high recognition level in the Academy since becoming a member. Lloyd was born in Idaho which is well known for its potatoes, Senator Borah, sugar beets, Sun Valley and Lloyd Baum.

By the time piano lessons were completed it was time for pre-dental activity at Walla Walla College in Washington. At this time, we found ourselves in some of the same classes and I was led to question the element of fairness as it seemed much easier for him. Little did we know of the relationship that would exist between us in the years to follow.

Dental education occurred at what is now the University of Oregon, but not at its current location in this city of Portland. Dental education during the years 1943-1946 carried a distinct armed forces flavor as they seemed very interested in the students progress. At the completion of the dental curriculum in 1946 he was inducted into the scholastic fraternity of OKU. Directly following dental graduation he became part of the U.S. Navy Dental Corps. For two years and during part of this time he was based in China.



There follow three years of private practice in Cottage Grove, Oregon. During this time he was invited to become part of the original dental faculty at a developing dental school at Loma Linda University. Upon the dean's recommendation Lloyd completed the requirements for a Master of Science degree in Operative Dentistry at the University of Michigan in 1952.

Since we were colleagues within the same discipline I had ample opportunity to observe Lloyd in action. He became totally immersed in his academic career which can be documented by Alma, his wife. His academic life was very successful. During the time of 1955-1972 Lloyd was the Clinic Director. In 1972 he became chairman of Restorative Dentistry at the State University of New York at Stony Brook and in 1977 he undertook the same functions at the University of Connecticut until 1982 when he returned to Loma Linda. There he has directed General Practice Residency Programs which in turn led to being Director of the Division of International Dentistry which brings him to the present year. His current level of academic activity is reduced to 50% but very likely it is difficult to distinguish this from full time.

He holds memberships in a variety of professional organizations and has been very active in several of them. In spite of his busy academic schedule, he more than utilized the time which remained to develop items of interest to operative Dentistry. This includes a variety of instruments and die and investing material. Of greatest interest to this organization is the work related to the direct filling gold. The original



*Dr. Lund addressing the audience as he prepares to award The Distinguished Member Award.*

development led to Goldent which emphasizes the use of powdered gold. A subsequent refinement produced the current material which is on the market as E-Z Gold.

A consistent aspect of Lloyd's professional life included the treatment of patients. It is also to be noted that the dental literature includes a variety of efforts on Lloyd's part. It represents research reports, conventional articles and the frustrating work of edited books. He has been very active in the Dental Accreditation process. A project which has been the focus of his attention for several years has been underway at the University of Montemorelos in Mexico. He has developed a successful training program for dental technicians for which there is a need in that country. In addition, there is now beginning a General Practice Residency Program at the same location. This includes the fund raising and development of needed facilities and equipment.



*Dr. Melvin Lund presents Dr. Lloyd Baum with The Distinguished Member Award.*

On more of a personal basis it was interesting and enjoyable to find ourselves touring sections of Europe during recent years. On one occasion Lloyd had secured a couple of economy sized bottles of water and was transporting them to his hotel. At that time a couple of young local ruffians decided he was vulnerable and made a move on him but they did not accurately reckon with Lloyd's determination as he backed up against a wall and successfully fended them off. While it is obvious that the lads had motives other than water, it made an interesting picture of Lloyd exerting himself to the fullest in defense of water bottles.

For the last two months Lloyd has been in residence at Hangzhou P.R. China where he has been a dental consultant to Shir Run-Run Shaw Hospital Dental Clinic. Very likely one could revamp the name to See Lloyd - Run while he is on location.

Lloyd and Alma have two children. A daughter, Marty who is a Pediatric Physician and their son, Brad, who is in the practice of Orthopedics.

The varied activities which Lloyd has pursued and the high level of excellence which has been achieved for many years makes him highly qualified to receive the Distinguished Member Award.

Lloyd it is my distinct pleasure to present this prestigious award to you my good friend and colleague.

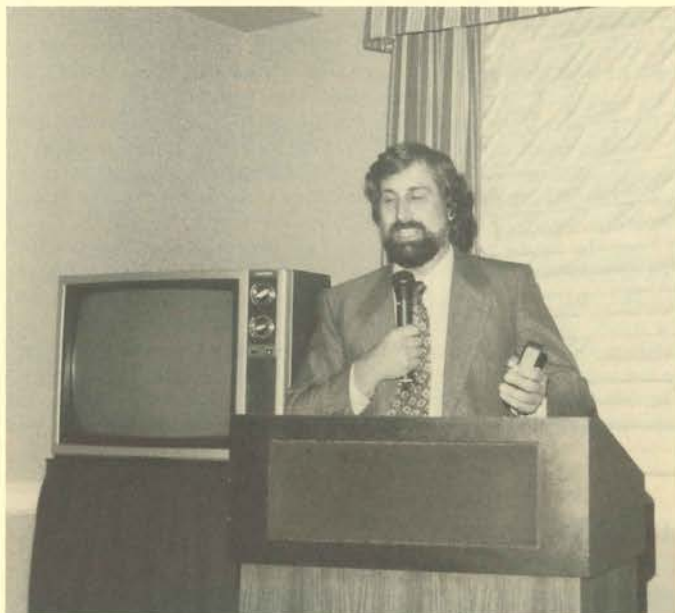


## Didactic Session

**Dr. Fred Eichmiller** discussed the benefits of technological advances to the Dental Profession remarking upon their significance, and the increase in quality that we enjoy as a result of such advances as front surface mirrors, high speed handpieces, rubber dam and more.

Dr. Eichmiller emphasized that Direct gold remained the benchmark of excellence, but that cast gold restorations are the most successful prostheses in the human body. Amongst our other materials composites were significant, but that amalgam was the most significant we have.

As we are all well aware, Dr. Eichmiller works at the Paffenbarger Institute, and in describing scientists, both at the institute, and in general, he stated that they need to be "Dreamers" and to be "Curious". In talking about chemists for example two types are required, those who create the recipe, or cookbook types, and analytical types who can assess how and why, and perhaps whether, a given recipe has worked.



*Dr. Fred Eichmiller.*

Dr. Eichmiller went on to describe the process by which an amalgam can be made without mercury. The principle for this derived from the process for making compressed gears with materials such as tungsten carbide and copper carbide. 25 mu Silver is plated with 2 mu of pure gold, this will then permit the diffusion to take place that is required for the silver to form a cohesive mass.

Diffusion was described as being of two types (a). Vacancy Diffusion such as we observe in the use of gold foil which comes about as a result of pressure and heat, and (b). Fast Diffusion which takes place when the atom coming in is so much smaller that it can slip into the lattice work of the other metal.

In the case of the amalgam, the particles of the metals are etched in a weak solution of citric acid (approx. 5%). This allows for the particles to form a more solid mass, the acid comes to the surface, and is blotted away. The mass is sold, and the filling must be carved with rotary instruments. By two days it becomes a completely homogeneous metal. The metal has 80% of its ultimate strength immediately, and a tensile strength 4x that of amalgam, with somewhat less hardness, but greater compressive strength.

It was Dr. Eichmiller's opinion that the polymers, due to their physical properties cannot replace metals.

The use of titanium castings and their ability to accept intraoral welding using a D.C. Capacitor welder proved to be a most interesting project. The oxide of titanium will also porcelain.

After a short break **Dr. Warren Johnson** took the podium to discuss the manner in which the use of E.Z. Gold had made the placement of gold in prepared teeth a great deal easier for the non-afficianado, or for anyone who only used gold foil occasionally. The use of E.Z. Gold for endodontic closure with a veneer of foil on the surface produced a much more rapid and convenient result. The class 6 was also demonstrated and discussed along with repair of cast gold margins where this had become indicated.



*Dr. Warren Johnson.*

The class 5 restoration, placed in a standard Ferrier preparation could be accomplished in a shorter time than by utilisation of standard techniques, and with a veneer of normal foil was indistinguishable from a restoration in which nothing other than foil alone had been used.

For large or awkward restorations, as when an imbrication is present, the use of the E.Z. Gold could enable the operator to produce a restoration without stressing either the patient or the operator.



*Dr. Harold Schnepfer.*

The Didactic session concluded with a new teaching video from Loma Linda University in California produced by **Dr. Harold Schnepfer**. The preparation which was shown was the standard Ferrier design, which is not only a beautiful design of its own right, but is extremely practical from the standpoint that in utilising straight lines and sharp point angles at the cavo-surface finishing becomes far more readily facilitated, and the resultant restoration proves to be remarkably free from further erosive influence in the great majority of cases.

The use of the E.Z. Gold for these restorations allows students or operators with less experience to expedite the restoration in such a timely fashion that they become entirely practical in any office setting where the operator is reasonably proficient in the art of Dentistry.



# Dr. Ralph A. Boelsche



*Dr. Ralph Boelsche.*

Dr. Ralph Boelsche the fourth President of The American Academy of Gold Foil Operators died on September 16th, 1993. He was 88 years of age.

Dr. Boelsche was educated at Blinn College, Texas A&M University, and graduated Valedictorian from the University of Texas Dental Branch at Houston Doctor of Dental Surgery.

Dr. Boelsche spent 52 years in active practice, and during that time received many honors and awards, amongst these The Distinguished Member Award from The American Academy of Gold Foil Operators (1979); an Academy of which he was a charter member. He received also the William John Gies Award (1981), was an Honorary Alumnus at Baylor University Hall of Fame Recipient (1985). He was also awarded membership in Omicron Kappa Upsilon.

Dr. Boelsche was President of The American Academy of Gold Foil Operators, The American Academy of Restorative Dentistry, The Houston District Dental Society, The South West Academy of Restorative Dentistry. He was a member of the Pierre Fouchard Academy, the American Academy of Endodontics, a Fellow of the American College of Dentistry, and of the Academy of Dentistry International.

Dr. Boelsche was an enthusiastic Researcher in the department of Dr. Bernhard Gottlieb at Baylor during the 1940's, and has made an endowment in memory of Dr. Gottlieb at Baylor.

Dr. Boelsche maintained a lifelong interest in furthering and advancing dental education, with particular emphasis upon excellence within the field of restorative dentistry. In 1981 he attended the annual meeting in Seattle of the Associated Ferrier Study Clubs. He was pondering the question as to whether he should take over the reins of the Secretary/Treasurer's Office for A.A.G.F.O. The time was indeed ripe for such a man, for the Academy was at a very low ebb; working together with Mrs. Nell Faucet a series of meetings were crafted that put the Academy back on a sound basis both professionally and financially. From personal discussion it was learned that Dr. Boelsche had personally funded a large proportion of the travel that had been required to place the Academy back on to a solid basis. We must all be very grateful for the legacy that he has left to us in the form of a very Proud Academy.

After Dr. Boelsche and his wife of 65 years Ida Fortran Boelsche took up residence in a convalescent home Mrs. Nell Faucett continued to take him for drives whenever he was well enough to venture forth. He would usually pickup small gifts or flowers for Miss Ida.

We shall all sorely miss his sage advice and his courtly presence, he has impacted upon all our lives and enriched them immeasurably. The whole Academy joins in sending our very deepest sympathy to Mrs. Ida Boelsche.

## From The Archives



**Last row:** Jose Medina, J. Gruber, Robert Ogilvie, Cdr. Wade Hagerman, Larry Ludwigsen, John Olsen, Capt. Geo. Ferguson. **Fourth row:** Don Spratley, Bill Howerton, Vic Carpenter, Bob Nelson, Harvey Emmerson, De Bourassa. **Third row:** Jim Courtney, W. Silverstein, Austin Neeb, Art Montagne, John Nolen. **Second row:** Bruce Smith, H. Gillard, Ray Collins, Bill Snyder, Ken Randolph. **Front row:** J. Vernetti (Sec.-Treas.), Merle McGee, Louis Herman, Ralph Boelsche (Pres.-Elect), Ralph Plummer (Pres.), Harry Kramer, Les Myers, Carl Oman, Keith Brumwell.



# Third International Gold Foil Meeting

The third International Gold Foil Meeting will be held in Zürich on October 7th and 8th 1994.

Dr. Peter Scharer, has graciously offered to host the meeting in the University of Zürich Dental School. Our host from The Restorative Department will be Dr. Stefan Paul who graduated from the University of Göttingen, and who helped to host the first meeting in that city.

The programme will be a little different from the previous two meetings in that it will be divided equally between direct filling gold and cast gold procedures.

There will be a series of lectures to be held on the Friday from the late afternoon into the early evening. These will be of no more than ½ hour each, and will include lectures on metallurgy as well as different aspects of inlay and partial veneer castings, and gold foil. There will also be a series of table clinics devoted to the topics upon which lectures are given.

## American College of Dentistry to Honor two A.A.G.F.O. Members in San Francisco

The College's 1993 Convocation will recognize the special contributions of two individuals who have made unique and special contributions to the advancement of dentistry.

### William J. Gies Awards

The William J. Gies Award recognizes Fellows who have made significant and unique contributions to the advancement of dentistry, related fields, and/or service to the public. Since establishing the award in 1939, 75 ACD Fellows have received this honor. This year, two leaders of the dental profession will be recognized for their efforts: Dr. Norman Olsen and Dr. James Vernetti.



**Norman H. Olsen, DDS, MSD**, as Dean of Northwestern University Dental School from 1972 to 1993. He had been Professor and Chairman of Pedodontics at Northwestern University and a consultant at the Cleft Palate Institute. Dr. Olsen is past president of the American College of Dentists, and the American Board of Pedodontics, past chairman of the Council of Deans of the American Association of Dental Schools, a member of the Board of Governors of the Odontographic Society of Chicago and a

member of the Board of the Infant Welfare Society of Chicago. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Pedodontics and a charter member of the Illinois Academy of Pedodontics. He has received numerous awards for his work in dentistry and academics.

**James P. Vernetti, DDS**, dedicated more than 50 years to dental practice and education. Upon his graduation from the University of Southern California School of Dentistry, Dr. Vernetti spent more than 38 years in dental practice, while serving on the faculties of Loma Linda University, USC and UCLA. He also served as a professor at the University of Texas Dental School at San Antonio for four years. Dr. Vernetti is a past president of the American College of Dentists, the Academy of Dentistry International, the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators, the San Diego County Dental Society and was founder and first president of the San Diego Chapter of the Academy of General Dentistry. Dr. Vernetti has been widely recognized for his dedication to civic and community organizations.





## The Vic Williams Award



*Dr. Richard Tucker presents The Victor Williams Award to Dr. Warren Johnson.*

This year's recipient of the Victor Williams Junior Achievement Award was Dr. Warren K. Johnson of Seattle. This well deserved recognition goes to a member of the Academy who has contributed a great deal to the excellence that has been such an outstanding feature of this Academy. Warren has operated many times before the Academy, and always generates long line-ups of admirers. In addition he has lectured and operated at International Gold Foil Meetings in both Germany and Italy.

In addition to running a busy Practice in Seattle, Warren is a mentor of several cast gold study clubs within the Tucker Associated Clubs, and has "clinic'd" in Europe extensively in cast gold procedures. Warren will be President of our somewhat rambunctious offspring The Academy of Operative Dentistry from February 1994 - February 1995. Finally he will be a featured lecturer and clinician in Zürich at the Third International Gold Foil Meeting to be held on October 7th & 8th, 1994.



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