

american academy of gold foil operators

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THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF GOLD FOIL OPERATORS Board Meeting

February 22, 2006 Fairmont Hotel, Chicago, Il

1. Call to order President Thorburn

Members and guests present: D. Thorburn, R. Keene, D. Bridgeman, E. Kardong, A. McKibbin, Joe Newell, H. St. Germain, Scott Barrett, Mike Cochran, Tim Carlson and Rick Brinker.

Corrections and approval of the minutes of the Annual Meeting as printed in the Gold Leaf. Voted to accept as printed.

3. Report of the Journal

Mike Cochran distributed the hard copy of the Journal Report and can be read. The R.V. Tucker Study groups have joined in sponsoring the Journal. The JOD is now an online journal. We all were cautioned that the mailing label on our hard copy contains the access code for getting online. Please save that information unless you wish to wait for the next issue's mailing label.

e user name is OPDENT. Each person has his or her code, which is good for the current year's subscription. So READ the LABEL!

The search for a new editor is still in the works, but as of this date no one has been selected. Mike's hope is that there will be a two year overlap for training.

With the addition of the Tucker Group supporting the JOD we are in good financial condition. Report of the Managing Editor – [printed report] Tim Carlson: Although we are non-profit we have increasingly been staying in that condition. Now that the supporting academies are doing their billing so that it matches that of the journal, the funds are coming in a timely manner. He expressed his appreciation for this fact. The further costs of the on-line version are projected to be supported by the increase in subscribers. The actual costs for delivery of the hard copy to the subscriber is \$90.00/year so the \$70.00 cost to academy members is in fact being given a good deal. The corporate support and institutional subscriptions help to offset the difference. The online feature does allow the Journal to Provide trial access to the journal with a time sensitive access code.

A question was raised regarding dropping the hard copy. The financial savings in printing costs is about \$60k, but the \$100k in regular cost would still exist.

The JOD corporate board changes that will be needed to reflect the addition of the Tucker Group will be done through the constitutional changes needed by the JOD.

Dave Thorburn asked if the AAGFO could use the electronic version for brief reports and student operators at annual meetings with pictures, etc. ke responded that they think that this would be a great idea.

President Thorburn expressed the thanks of the AAGFO to Mike and Tim and also to the Matis's who have worked so hard to make the online version possible.

4. Report and Review of Handouts by Sect/Treas Keene

Correspondence – Ron House thanked us for the DVD "Dr. Blank Goes to Town" and for the superb help to their students. He said that the enthusiasm still sparkles at the school.

A request from the police in MD asking for help identifying the remains of a body with a gold foil filling. Copies of the financial report, membership changes were distributed.

Financially the AAGFO is hanging on, but our net loss of nearly \$8,000.00 for 2005 though actually an investment, does reflect the need to consider whether dues are realistic.

Our net worth of the past three years has hovered between \$63,400.00 and \$67,000.00 so from that sense we are holding our own. Net change of loss in membership is 5. As of this date there are 12 members who are delinquent in dues payment. We have two new member applications that require action. The audit to be done by Ed Kardong this year will be done following completion of the IRS tax report is filed this summer.

5. Annual Meeting Reports

a. David Bridgeman - Didactic

The 2006 Annual Meeting – three speakers have been confirmed.

Max Andersen – caries, dental materials and what gets paid for and his research, Werner Geurtsen – biological effects of resin based materials, and Wendell Foltz – simple class 2 direct gold restorations

David requested guidance on determining the honorariums for the speaker.

DISCUSSION: Clearly the tradition of a rather minimal honorarium was supported by some and yet some felt that we are a bit behind the times and that if we are to get meaningful speakers we need to address a budgeting for speakers well ahead of making the arrangements with the speakers. The cost of speakers also needs to be factored into the meeting fees.

MOVED and VOTED: That we budget \$4,000.00 each year as a line item for speaker and their expenses. [It is understood that the person making the arrangements can make the judgment in their organization of the meeting.]

b. Andy McKibbin - Clinic

Andy is in touch with enthusiastic local members regarding operators. He expressed that he is trying to balance out the distribution. Marty Andersen will be saving 20 chairs. Marty expressed his view that the lesions in the past have been rather small. He needs to know the lesions being requested as soon as possible. Andy seemed firm in his view that there should be lesions available for students and younger members who are trying to become more comfortable with foil.

6. Committee Reports

- a. Literature and Research Fred Eichmiller: No report at this time.
- b. Nominating Warren Johnson: Rich Nash [VOTED] DISCUSSION: Is there a policy regarding the geographic distribution of council members? The council agreed to leave this concern to the nominating committee with their continued concern for selecting members who will contribute as the principle factor. MOVED: that the council, at the annual meeting, discuss names to be submitted to the nominating. [VOTED] The Nominating Committee then makes the selection and submits the name [for council] 6 weeks prior to the annual meeting.
- c. Inter-Academy Dave Thorburn: Confirmed changes being made to support the Tucker Group joining with us in support of the JOD.
- d. Education and Clinical Seminars David Thorburn: Progress is being made for the Master Class being held in conjunction with U of Washington annual meeting. Ed Kardong is handling it. [See New Business].
- e. Outstanding Clinician Mark Modjean: Dan Saucy [VOTED].
- f. Distinguish Member Martin Anderson: Allan Osborn [VOTED] DISCUSSION:
- g. Constitution and Bylaws Mel Lund: noted the need to distribute through the Gold Leaf the changes voted at the 2005 annual meeting and the need to bring to the membership the changes in the timing of the annual dues.
- h. JOD Editorship Search Committee Marty Anderson: No real progress has been made on finding Mike Cochran's replacement. Much discussion ensued and there is a slight possibility that there will be someone right there at Indiana or London who would consider stepping in. A sense of urgency needs to be conveyed to the AOD. Efforts of this ad hoc committee will continue.
- i. Gold Leaf Rick Brinker: Rick is working with Allan during the change in editorship. Our thanks go to Rick for his willingness to assume that role. A possible connection with the web master was discussed so that news of the academy could be placed on the web site as postings from the Gold Leaf.

7. Old Business

- a. Resolve payment to Von Hanks re: Website: VOTED "Authorization to pay Von Hanks for past web site costs in the amount of \$1,382.51.
- b. Clarify and finalize the LRPG suggestions:
- Educational Seminar/Master Class: See New Business.
- d. Web site management: Scott Barrett offered to work with this item and will be giving progress reports.
- Management of the AOD yearly table clinic: VOTED: To be decided at the annual Council meeting.
- f. Confirm by vote the member representatives to the JOD corporation: VOTED: The council members and officers plus the Gold Leaf Editor will serve as the eight representatives required b the constitution of the JOD. [Tim Carlson notified 4/8/06].
- g. Duties of the council members per the LRPG suggestions: Dave Thorburn remarked regarding his plan for the committee assignments [See the attached committee list] Those names with an asterisk (*) shall be appointed by the President each year before January 1 following their election. No asterisk (*) indicates automatic assignments or the progression of names up the list and then off after serving their term [usually three years], i.e. various nominating and officer committee members.

8. New Business

a. Confirm change is Dues Due Date: - Constitutional changes to reflect changes in due dates for dues- Council voted that this was an administrative item and therefore VOTED that dues were due by December 31st each year and would be subject to a late charge of \$10.00 if paid later than January 15th of the following year.

- b. Dues Increase: Following a discussion of the economics associated with the increase cost of office operations, ie. Credit Card payments, postage and general printing expenses it was MOVED and VOTED to increase the annual dues to \$70.00 per year beginning with the billing cycle of 2008.
- Request by Marland police to identify remains: A dental chart will be published in the next issue of the Gold Leaf.
- d. Confirm the method for selecting the council nominee: In the past the three most recent past presidents have made the nomination to the council for the new councilor. After considerable discussion it was VOTED – the council at its annual meeting shall provide at least three names of prospective nominees to the nominating committee. They will in turn select the candidate and place their name before the council at least six weeks prior to the following Mid-Winter Council meeting.
- e. Master Class: The design and arrangements of the Master Class shall be the responsibility of the senior councilor, though the current President will be the chair person of the Education and Clinical Seminar Committee. Every attempt will be made to make members of the Academy available to the dental school for a CE program open to both local dentists and students of the school. The operation of the MC will in effect become the responsibility of the CE department at the school. They may or may not select to charge participants, but will be encouraged to keep those classes open to students at no charge. There will be no AAGFO funds budgeted for Master Classes.
- f. Reimbursement for the person taking pictures of the clinical session: It was VOTED to consider this person in the same light as a speaker and pay them \$300.00 for the time and organization of taking clinical pictures and presenting them for the critique session.

g. Future Meeting:

- 2007 Hawaii Oct. 18 21, 2007. The Naval Clinic is available on Friday ONLY. Update: - We will be staying at Turtle Bay Resort.
- 2008 The plan is to work with the Tucker Group and have a joint meet possibly in Arizona.
- 2009 Joe Newell is working to arrange a meeting in Philadelphia.
- 2010 We will explore Michigan or Gainesville. [Nova Southeastern University might also be a choice – RCK after speaking with their operative department in conjunction with our student award].
- h. Meeting Management: Ron was not able to attend the council meeting. However, the council members discussed the need to more fully distribute our meeting costs through the meeting registration fees. Also discussed whether local dentist would be encouraged to attend the lecture portions of our meeting and what the appropriate charges might be. It clearly would be a great problem for Ron to be clear about the numbers for meals. It was decided to engage Ron in this discussion since he is the one to manage that aspect of our meeting planning.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. with a sense that in fact more time is needed to conduct our business.

Bob Keene

All correspondence is considered confidential and information will be held on a need to know basis in confidence. Any questions call 603-643-2899.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Deetings from Vancouver, March 6, 2006. Spring is definitely on the way, the ornamental cherry trees and others are starting to

The Chicago midwinter meetings were blessed with beautiful blue skies all week. Our executive board met on February 22, 2006 and had a very productive meeting.

The "Operative Journal" report should be highlighted. After years of struggling at the break even point, and running deficits for the past three years, this year they are in the black. The journal staff are doing an amazing job and we should all thank them for their tireless work. They are: Dr Michael Cochran, Editor, Dr. Tim Carlson, Managing Editor, Dr. Bruce Matis, Dr. Ed DeSchepper and Dr. Richard McCoy, Associate Editors and Joan Matis, Editorial Assistant and Subscription Manager. Additional thanks needs to be given to Karen Wilczewski, Jerome Matis, and Kevin Matis for their work.

What has brought them to their present situation beyond their hard work? Through their foresight the journal is now online, though not the back catalogue. The initial expense of creating the online journal will reap repeated dividends. The institutional subscription fee has been increased, because now the schools have passwords, which allow their entire class to read the journal or download it at anytime. The second source of revenue has come from the Academy of RV Tucker Study Clubs, which joined with the AAGFO and the Academy of Operative Dentistry to be a sponsoring institution. From here on the journal should be in good shape financially.

One added bonus of the online journal is that Dr. Cochran has agreed to expand the announcement section of the online journal, which enables the Academy to report on courses and the annual meeting. This area will provide a bit of piacevole (musical term denoting pleasing/agreeable) advertising of our Academy and philosophy by showing dentists and dental students involved with direct gold restorations.

It should be noted that Dr. Cochran's tenure as Editor will end in a few years. Our Academy is the only sponsoring institution, which has the foresight to create a search committee to look for his replacement. They are making progress in locating a possible successor. It is interesting to note that for most of the journals' history the Editor has been a member of the AAGFO. We all should recognize the previous work of Editor, Dr. Ian Hamilton, Dr. David Bales, Dr. Max Anderson and Dr. Richard McCoy and everyone else associated with it for making the journal what it is today.

The other points of interest to come out of the Executive Council Meeting is related to the upcoming Annual Meetings, let me review one.

Seattle Oct. 26 – 28, 2006

At this meeting we hope to present a continuing education mini foil course for local Seattle dentists. At the clinical session we hope to have some U of W students placing direct gold restorations along side our operators. I'm sure it will be a memorable meeting.

2. Hawaii 2007

The date for this meeting has yet to be set, but it will likely be during the autumn. The hopes for this meeting will be to invite the two Academy of RV Tucker Study Clubs to attend the meeting. We plan to tailor the scientific and clinical component of the meeting to introduce those clubs to direct gold restorations.

Phoenix Nov. 12 – 16, 2008

This will be an historic meeting and we should all plan to attend. It will be a joint meeting between the Academy of RV Tucker Study Clubs and the AAGFO. The clinic will be at the Arizona Health Sciences School of Dentistry, who are very interested in exposing their students to the art and science of gold restorations. This is a win/win situation for all involved, the Academies, School, and Students. As an aside it also exposes the Tucker Academy members to direct gold.

On one final note this year was the first that an invitation was extended to our entire Academy to attend the "Friends of Dr. Tucker Dinner" hosted by the President of the Tucker Academy and Jensen Industries. It was a wonderful evening with members of the Tucker Academy, AAGFO, other Academies and friends in attendance. I hope this event only grows because these Academies have so much in common.

Best wishes for the coming year, and I hope to see you in Seattle, October 26 – 28, 2006. Sincerely,

David Thorburn, President American Academy of Gold Foil Operators Academy of RV Tucker Study Clubs

LUNCHEON GATHERING



Drs. Chet Gibson & Ed Kardong paying full attention



President Dave Thorburn



Drs. Margaret Webb, John Sechena and Dave Burdett



Dr. Ralph Stenberg with a seriously skeptical audience



Drs. Ralph Stenberg and Dick Tucker



Dr. Dan Savey explains to a skeptical audience

CLINIC SESSION



President Thornburn



Beautiful Result



Drs. Bob Allen & Ralph Stenberg



Dr. Dick Tucker admires Margaret Webb's Class V



Margaret Webb Cl V



Getting ready

CLINIC SESSION



Dr. Craig Spowart and Dr. Dick Tucker



Finished Foil



Dr. Dick Tucker & Dr. Dwayne Ogasawara



Dr. Ralph Stenberg



Oh! That's Rich!



Dr. Chet Gibson & Dr. Bruce Smith







NOTICE OF BUSINESS MEETING

FRIDAY OCTOBER 27, 2006 AT 7:00 A.M. CROWN PLAZA HOTEL, SEATTLE, WA

The agenda for the 2006 Annual Business meeting is:

7:30 Call to Order

1. Approval of minutes of 2006 business meeting as published in the Gold Leaf.

Old Business

- 2. Report of the councilor meeting held October 25, 2006
 - a. Discussion and vote of the \$70.00 Annual dues proposal [A \$10.00 increase].
 - b. Update report of the Long Range Planning Group.
 - c. Website Report Scott Barrett [to include discussion regarding member listing on the Web].

New Business

- 3. Introduction and vote on new members.
- Report of the plans for the 2007 meeting Ron Harris, et al.
- 5. Any other business

Adjournment to the program of the day.

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THE ASSOCIATED FERRIER STUDY CLUBS ANNUAL MEETING

MAY 12, 2006 VANCOUVER BRITISH COLUMBIA

Gold foil operations took place at the University of British Columbia School of Dentistry on Friday morning commencing at 8:00 a.m. This was followed by a social hour and luncheon held at the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club.

The afternoon programme featured a series of short presentations by some of the renowned members of A.F.S.C.

Dr. Phil Madden Matt Gold in Direct Gold Restorations.

Dr. Margaret Webb The Non-Cohesive Lining Technique for Class 5 Gold Foil Restorations.

Dr. Dave Burdett Finishing Occlusal Gold Foil Restorations.

Dr. Bob Allen The Molar Class 5 Gold Foil Restoration.

Dr. Gene Sargent Clinical values in Gold Foil.

Dr. Wendell Foltz Director Gold restoration of the Mesial of the First Molar.

Dr. Ed Kardong Secretary/Treasurer A.F.S.C.



Academy members attention is drawn to potential problems reported in the literature in regards to Bisphosphonates.

This is to alert members to some current thoughts regarding these compounds and is not intended in any way to constitute advice.

Allan Osborn

Editor

THE DENTAL SPECIALIST

"The Dental Specialist" IS WRITTEN BY Manitoba Dental Specialists. Each issue features one of the dental specialty groups (on a rotational basis). In this month's issue, the article is submitted on behalf of the ORAL AND Maxillofacial Surgeons and Pathologists.

DENTAL SIGNIFICANCE OF BISPHOSPHONATE DRUGS

An increasing number of articles are appearing in the scientific literature and news media regarding jawbone complications associated with bisphosphonate drugs. This case report may heighten the awareness of dentists regarding the provision of dental treatment for this patient population.

A 62 year old female presented with pain and recurrent swelling in her right mandible for the past year after the routing extraction of #46 and #47. She had been treated with Penicillin, Amoxicillin and the removal of boney spicules but the involved area did not heal. Her past medical history revealed (1) treatment with cortisone for Addison disease since age 28 (2) current anticoagulant therapy for deep vein thrombosis (3) TM Fosamax for eight years of osteoporosis.

The initial exam revealed a draining epulis in the previous extraction sites. A panoramic film and CT scan showed mild erosion in the alveolus with some sclerosis of the medullary cavity in the body of the right mandible and inflammatory changes in the overlying soft tissue. The patient had an infectious disease consultation and was started on Amoxicillin again but after four months there was still exposed, nonhealing bone. The infectious disease physician recommended a sequestrectomy and debridement. Following a modified anticoagulation protocol and under general anesthesia a sequestrectomy was accomplished with primary closure. Of significance, there was no evidence of normal, bleeding bone during surgery. The patient tolerated the surgery well and perioperative course was unremarkable. She was maintain on Amoxicillin and three months later the area had maintained its gingival coverage. A repeat CT scan showed healing the

area and the patient remained well 1 year after her initial visit.

Bisphosphonates have recently been used for treating patients with multiple myeloma and other cancers which have developed boney etastases because they decrease bone fractures, bone resorption and hypocalcaemia. The drugs used in this manner (TM Aredia, Zometa) are given intravenously. Bisphosphonates are also commonly used for patients with osteoporosis to stabilize bone loss in postmenopausal women and decrease osteoclastic activity to maintain bone density. When used in this manner the drugs (TM Fosamax) are given orally.

There are increasing reports of a disease termed "osteonecrosis of the jaw" associated with bisphosphonate therapy that is much more commonly associated with the super potent intravenous agents given for malignancy. The pathogenesis is unclear but is mainly felt to be from inhibition of bone remodeling and possibly some endothelial toxicity. The disease may appear spontaneously but most often results from an invasive dental procedure or denture trauma and the mandible is affected more than the maxilla. Affected patients develop non-healing, exposed areas of bone, usually on the lingual aspect of the mandible and sometimes in multifocal areas. The chronic lesions can be asymptomatic but will become painful with secondary infection and curative treatment is not currently possible.

The half life of bisphosphonates in bone is about 10 years and this contributes to the non-healing state. Other implications of a long half life are (1) there is only marginal benefit to discontinuing these edications either after a lesion has occurred or during treatment of a lesion (2) patients who have finished their intravenous cancerrelated bisphosphonate therapy remain at risk and should not have elective oral surgery.

Extensive surgery is unsuccessful and should be avoided to minimize the chance for secondary fracture due to weakening of the mandible. The exposed bone will support normal function. Primary treatment is symptomatic control with antibiotics and perhaps minimal debridement to remove sharp boney edges. Endodontic therapy with crown amputation rather than extraction is recommended for teeth that develop irreversible pulpitis, necrosis or an abscess. Teeth with Grade I and II mobility may be splinted but those with Grade III mobility should be extracted. Elective surgery should be avoided in any patient who is receiving intravenous bisphosphonates. Surgery in patients who have received oral bisphosphonates should be as atraumatic as possible with strong evidence that surgery offers a significantly better prognosis than a non-surgical approach. The patient should have prophylactic Penicillin or Amoxicillin, probably one day before and for two days post-operatively.

Prevention of this disease is of primary importance. Current drug labeling recommends a dental consultation for patients who are about to start bisphosphonate treatment. Ideally, treatment of all tive or potential sources of pulpal and periodontal infection should completed one month before bisphosphonates are started and guided by a clinical exam with panoramic and full mouth intraoral radiographs. Specific guidelines include avoiding soft tissue

trauma with ill-fitting prostheses, extraction of teeth with furcation involvement, removal of large tori with thin mucosa, removal of soft tissue impactions and extractions or endodontic therapy of non-vital teeth. Recalls at 3 – 4 month intervals may reduce the risk of future problems.

There are no current recommendations from local or national Canadian Dental organizations. These interim recommendations have come from various international sources and hopefully will inform our membership of an important and evolving therapeutic and medico legal concern.

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- AAOMS News Release: Bisphosphonates Can Wreak Havoc In the Mouth and Jaws, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon Warns. May 2005
- AAOMS New Release: Bisphosphonate Treatment May Lead to Rare Osteonecrosis of the Jaw. May 2004

Lee McFadden, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon. Steve Ahing, Oral and Maxillofacial Pathologist

GOLD FOIL OPERATORS HOSTED BY SCHOOL

The West Virginia University School of Dentistry served as host to the 53rd Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators on September 29, 2005. The clinical session featured ten of our 3rd or 4th year students serving as operators/assistants with additional WVU graduates serving as mentors.

The Annual Meeting was four days in length and was headquartered in the Radisson Hotel. The group was able to savor the surrounding areas with a trip and tour to Falling Waters and also exploring the friendly sites of their host city – Morgantown.

The clinical session featured several of our graduates as Glenn Birkitt ('64), Jeff Harvey ('95), and Health Bailey ('98) all treated patients while Dave Bridgeman ('80) kept a watchful eye as he made all the local arrangements. Thirteen restorations were placed by this blend of mentors and students and most involved patients of record at our school including residents, spouses, auxiliary personnel, and a detail hygiene student! The restorations varied from buccal and lingual pits, to class 5's and a class 3 with a lingual approach.

Our student operator/assistants included seniors Salem Aldhari, Joshua Chapman, Rebecca Dzierzanski, Craig Hatfield, Andy Hauschka, Ben Hiener, Monica Puderbaugh, and Andrew Wagoner. Juniors operating included Cindy Knotts and Chris Wine.

The session was a resounding success and several of the students have continued to sharpen their skill in direct gold in our clinic. Following the session, the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators made a significant monetary gift to the school to be used for advancing restorative dentistry.



On the right Ben Hiener '06 closely observes Dr. Bob Walter's technique.



Dr. Dave Bridgeman '80 (L) checks the progress of Dr. Max Moyer's (center) Class 3 lingual while being assisted by Rebecca Dzierzanski (R).



Dr. Heath Bailey '98 prepares to place an occlusal direct foil.



Dr. Jeff Harvey '95 (L) takes a moment-out from placing his foil while assisted by Craig Bridgeman.

RETURN TO THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

American Academy of Gold Foil Operators Annual Meeting October 25 – 28, 2006

Headquarters Hotel Crowne Plaza Hotel Seattle, WA Host Clinic University of Washington School of Dentistry

It has been seventeen years since our last meeting in Seattle, so we are long overdue. So many of our members come from that part of the world, it seems only fair to give them a travel break. The hotel is not huge, but very "meeting friendly", so we won't be separated from each other by great distances. It is modern and very comfortable and offers a setting that is most pleasing.

Once again, with the assistance of Marty Anderson, we will hold the clinical session at the University of Washington Dental School. Andy McKibbin is in charge of clinicians, and he has rounded up a very respectable number of members to operate a variety of lesions. Dave Bridgeman has arranged outstanding speakers on a variety of topics. They include Max Anderson, Werner Guertsen and Wendell Foltz.

We won't have a spouses' tour per se, but the bus will take the "significant others" to Pike Place, or some other hopping venue, after dropping the operators off at the dental school.

On Thursday, there will be a special dinner and award presentation for Richard V. Tucker at the Sheraton Hotel. This will be an optional thing for those who wish to attend. Indicate on the registration form if you would like to attend.

On Friday afternoon, we will go by Motorcoach to the Future of Flight Aviation Museum plus a tour of the Boeing plant, where they build the great big birds. Dinner that evening will be on your own, since there are so many good restaurants in the area. It can be a little cool in late October and possibly rainy, so you may want to dress accordingly.

Reservations are on a "Call-in" basis. Just call either 800-521-2762 or 206-464-1980 and identify yourself as members of American Academy of Gold Foil Operators. Rates are \$149.00 for single or double occupancy. There is a rather large convention in town during the week, and rooms will be snapped up from us as soon as the deadline arrives, which is September 25th, so be sure to reserve well in advance. Transportation to and from the airport can be with the Downtown Airporter. Round trip is \$17.00 (which is a lot less than a cab ride), and you can purchase tickets at the Gray Line desk in the south end of the Sea Tac terminal.

AGENDA

Wednesday, October 25

2:00 p.m. Registration – Parkside Room

2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Board Meeting - Yosemite Room

6:00 – 9:00 p.m. Social – Parkside/Lower Lounge

Cash bar. Heavy Hors d'oeuvres

Thursday, October 26

7:00 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast for all attendees - Yosemite/McKinley Room

Brief business meeting. Vote on new members

7:30 a.m. Buses depart for Dental School

8:30 a.m. Spouses depart for shopping and lunch.

12:30 p.m. Buses return to hotel.

1:00 p.m. Lunch for members - Yosemite/McKinley Room

Afternoon and Dinner On Your Own.

Friday, October 27

7:00 - 8:00 a.m. Breakfast - Yosemite/McKinley Room

Lectures in the Carlsbad Room

8:00 a.m. Dr. Maxwell Anderson

"The Evidence - How to Apply It in Practice"

10:30 a.m. Dr. Werner Guertsen

"Dental Resins - Do They Have the Potency to Cause Local or Systemic Dysfunctions and

Diseases?"

12:00 noon Lunch for all - Yosemite/McKinley Room

1:30 p.m. Tour to Flight Museum and Boeing

Return around 5:00 p.m. Dinner on your own

aturday, October 28

7:00 - 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet - Yosemite/McKinley Room

Lectures

9:00 a.m.

Dr. A. Wendell Foltz

"Direct Gold for Mesial of First Permanent Molars in Adolescents"

10:00 a.m.

Dr. Wendell Foltz

"Clinical Slides and Critique"

Noon

Lunch and afternoon on your own.

6:00 p.m

Social hour - Yosemite/McKinley Room

7:00 p.m.

Banquet

Distinguished Member Award

Installation of Officers

Officers' State for the Ensuing Year:

President David Bridgeman
President-Elect Andy McKibbin
Vice President Edward Kardong
Secretary – Treasurer Robert C. Keene
Councilor 2007 Henry St. Germain
Councilor 2008 Joseph Newell
Councilor 2009 Richard Nash

PLEASE NOTE: It is always difficult to make last minute arrangements to accommodate members who suddenly appear at a meeting without having made advance reservations. Hotel reservations must be received by the Crowne Plaza Hotel no later than September 25. As in the past, in the case of our foreign members: if you plan to attend but have a problem paying in U.S. currency, you may return the reservation form below, indicating your preferences and then pay the fees at the meeting.

Hotel Reservations should be made directly to the Crowne Plaza Hotel using the phone number(s) listed on first page.

ease indicate on the lower portion if you would be interested in operating next year in Seattle.

American Academy of Gold Foil Operators

Annual Meeting Oct. 25 - 28, 2006

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