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President's Message



A. Jeffrey Wood, DDS
CSPD President

First and foremost, I hope that each of you had a great holiday season, filled with relaxation and rejuvenation! For me, the holidays always provide an opportunity to catch my breath and remember the things that are most important: friends and family. Even though it has barely been a month since holiday celebrations, it seems that those times are long behind us. "Back to the real world," as some would say!

2009 will be a year of transition. Webster's defines "transition" as "passage from one state, subject or place to another." Our country is in the midst of a significant transition which

pundits suggest will have ripple effects in our society which may well define the new century. By the time you read this we will have a new President who is unlike any other who has preceded him. While our economy's future is uncertain, it is definitely in transition; when will the turn-around finally happen? Some even feel that we are transitioning toward global warming. There are so many more transitions that we see all around us; some distant and some right at hand.

This is a time of transition for the CSPD as well. The board and officers who have guided our organization in the past year are reaching the end of their terms. In April, at our meeting in Squaw Creek, our leadership will change. Your president-elect, Lindsey Robinson, will become president. Lindsey is an experienced, talented leader and she will move the CSPD forward. Continuing directors will be entering the second year of their respective terms. Based on the results of the election of officers which will take place at Squaw

Creek, new and returning directors will start new terms of office. All of these individuals bring their unique insights and contributions to the leadership group. While we will continue on our strategic plan, which guides the organization, there will be new approaches and leadership skills to reach our goals.

Our annual meeting is changing as well. There will be many firsts for us to enjoy at our Squaw Creek meeting. For the first time, we will hold our meeting at Lake Tahoe. This will be the first ski venue that we have had the opportunity to enjoy and the Report at Squaw Creek has been a fine choice! It was the site of the 1960 Winter Olympics, and is consistently rated among the top resorts in North America. It is an all season mountain resort with activities for every season. Even though our meeting is in early April, the resort assures us that there will be snow. We will travel by gondola up the mountain to Squaw Valley's High Camp ski lodge where we will hold our welcome reception. From there, we will have a bird's eye view of all that the area has to offer: winter sports of every sort, beautiful scenery, shopping, and even nearby gambling. This meeting is designed to *(Please see page 23)*

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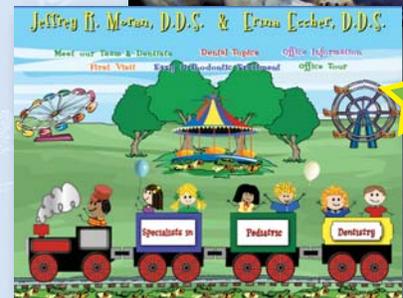
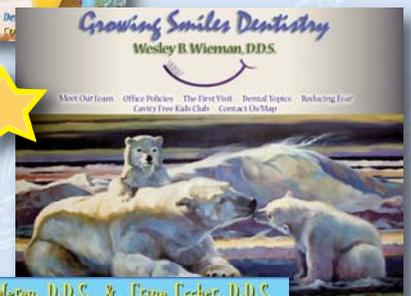
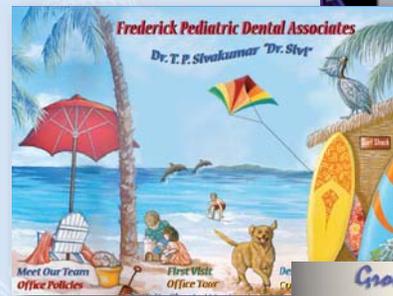


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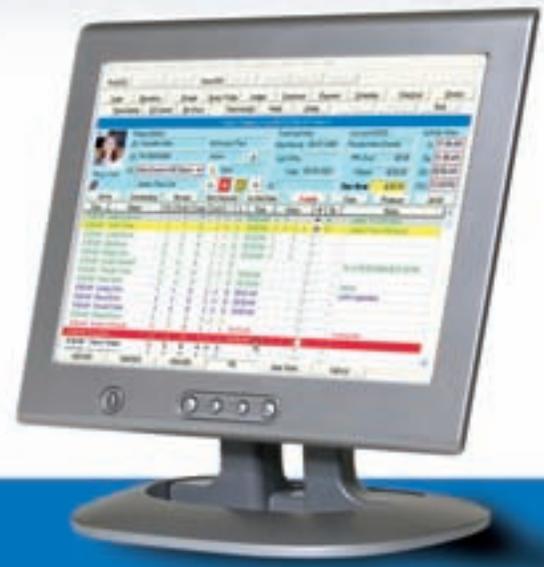
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“Reach Your Peak” at Squaw Creek

CSPD's 34th Annual Meeting & Scientific Session
April 1-5, 2009



JOIN US this year for an unprecedented meeting in an exquisite location nestled high above the state of California in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. We will be featuring five outstanding, world class speakers in an arena that celebrates the best of the west, where in 1960, amateur athletes competed from around the world in the VII Winter Olympics Games.

Our “Opening Ceremonies” will take place high above the village at Squaw Valley, at High Camp and The Olympic Ice Pavilion, accessed via Squaw Valley’s aerial Cable Car. Perched at the crest of Squaw Valley’s upper mountain, High Camp and the Rink offer unmatched panoramic views of the Squaw Valley Meadow, beautiful Lake Tahoe and the surrounding Sierra Nevada mountains. Bring your ice skates because we will have the rink to ourselves. Show the world your

best figure skating or hockey poses. Passed hors d’oeuvres will be served. Come and meet with your old (and young friends), mingle with our sponsors and prepare for an event packed meeting almost a mile above California.

Don’t worry if there’s no snow or you don’t ski, there’s ice skating, swimming, spa, hiking, mountain biking, golf, fishing, touring, gambling and gourmet dining within minutes of the fantastic Resort at Squaw Creek.

Get ready for the “Olympian Challenge and Medals Ceremony”, the final event on Saturday night where our attendees will engage in competitive (not too much!) events and games of skill and chance while going for the gold. Dress as your favorite Olympian from either the summer or winter games at this, the home of the VIII Olympic winter games in 1960 and the 34th annual meeting of CSPD and 7th annual of WSPD.

OUR SPEAKERS

We’ve put together a program that will appeal to everyone with topics both timely and controversial. Kicking it off is **Jeremy Mao, DDS, PhD**, Oral Surgeon and stem cell researcher, speaking on “Pediatric Dentists as Stem Cell Bioengineers”. **Ali Oromchian, esq.** highlights the New Dentist Lecture Series speaking on “Establishing the Office of Your Dreams: The Legal Perspective”. **Bob Boyd, DDS**, internationally known Orthodontist and Periodontist will be presenting twice on “Periodontal and Other Benefits of Two Phase vs. Single Phase Orthodontic Treatment” and “Orthodontic Treatment with Computer Designed Clear Removable Appliances for Second Stage Treatment in the Permanent Dentition to Enhance Oral Health”. For our Staff Presentation, **Lori Reed** of the AIA will be reminding us that “You



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"Staff Program"



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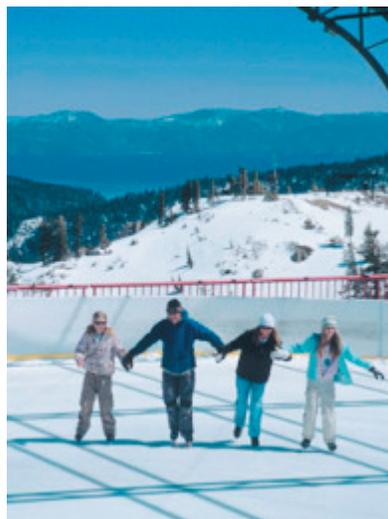


Michael Webb, DDS
"OOOPS! Adverse Events and
Medical Emergencies in the
Pediatric Dental Office"

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SKIS,
BUCKLE
UP THOSE
BOOTS,
PULL ON
YOUR LONG
UNDERWEAR
AND
WE'LL SEE
YOU THERE!





Paul Reggiardo, DDS
Public Policy Advocate

CSPD Provides School Absence Information and Assistance

DOWNLOADABLE SCHOOL EXCUSE ON CSPD WEBSITE

Dentists, and pediatric dentists in particular, are often challenged by parents anxious to avoid school absence, even when that absence is for the purpose of health care delivery. Although most practitioners establish scheduling policies and protocols intended to minimize pupil absence in a manner consistent with the patient's age, the nature of the service provided, and fairness to all families in the practice, many are still confronted with school policies that seem or profess to prohibit absence from school for the delivery of dental care during school hours.

As pediatric dentists, we recognize the importance of regular school attendance and the effect on education of chronic absence. We also recognize the negative financial implications to the school from the state when daily attendance is reduced. For these reasons, we have long urged our members to work with parents and with schools to minimize attendance disruption for oral health services ----- and better oral health through regular preventive care visits is one strategy for accomplishing this goal. It is not realistic, however, to expect that all pediatric and adolescent oral health care services can be delivered outside of school hours. In fact, state law [California Education Code §48205(a)(3)] specifically provides that "a pupil shall be excused from school when the absence is for the purpose of having medical, dental, optometrical, or chiropractic services rendered."

In an effort to provide clarity on this issue to dentists, parents, and school educators, the California Society of Pediatric Dentistry has joined with the California Dental Association to provide a downloadable Message to Parents and School Administrators Regarding School Absence for Dental Appointments. This one-page information sheet, which contains Oral Health Facts for Children, may be downloaded from the CSPD and CDA websites for printing and distribution by dentists and their staffs. [See page 9]

In addition, CSPD has developed a template for a School Attendance Release Form which may be downloaded from the CSPD website and customized by members for individual office printing and distribution. The form contains reference to §48205(a)(3) of the Education Code.

Editor's Note: These are terrific member benefits!

Please visit our website at www.cspd.org.

This school attendance release template form can be found in the members only pages and modified for your use.

The adjacent page shows the CDA-CSPD joint policy which might be used effectively in our offices.



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School Attendance Release

_____ had an appointment
(Pupil)
in this office on _____ from _____ to _____
(Date) (Time)
for necessary oral health care.

Reference is made to § 48205(a)(3) of the California Education Code which provides that a pupil shall be excused from school when the absence is for the purpose of having medical, dental, optometrical, or chiropractic services rendered.



A Message to Parents and School Administrators Regarding School Absence for Dental Appointments

Tooth decay in children is painful, just as it is in adults. Although largely preventable with proper home care and regular professional visits, untreated dental decay diminishes the child's ability to eat well, sleep well, and function well at home or at school. The unesthetic nature of dental decay and dental malocclusion compromise the child's self-esteem and social development. Prevention, early diagnosis, and treatment of oral health conditions require professional care.

The **California Society of Pediatric Dentistry** and the **California Dental Association** recognize the importance of regular school attendance and the effect of chronic absence on academic performance. We encourage our members to work with parents and educators to minimize school absence whenever possible. It is not feasible, however, to provide all care children need during non-school hours. For this reason, **school policies that prevent legitimate school absence for the purpose of health care visits harm children and are in violation of the California Education Code.**

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The **California Society of Pediatric Dentistry** and the **California Dental Association** urge parents, school administrators and member dentists to work together to ensure that children receive needed care while minimizing school absences.

Children's Oral Health Facts

- Tooth decay is the number one chronic health problem of children.
- Dental disease is infectious and progressive. The bacteria that cause it are transmissible and the disease is preventable.
- Children need their teeth to eat properly, talk, smile, and feel good about themselves. Children with cavities may have difficulty eating, smiling, and have problems paying attention and learning at school.
- By kindergarten, more than 50% of children in California have already experienced dental decay, 28% have untreated decay and 19% have extensive decay.¹
- By 3rd grade, over seventy percent of California's children have experienced dental decay.¹
- It is estimated that more than 1/2 million of California's children missed school in the previous 12 months due to dental problems²
- Left untreated, dental decay can become severe enough to require emergency room treatment.

1. "Mommy, It Hurts to Chew." The California Smile Survey: An Oral Health Assessment of California's Kindergarten and 3rd Grade Children, February 2006

2. California Health Interview Survey 2003



Dental Assisting Structure and Educational Requirements

With last year's passage of AB 2637, beginning January 1, 2010, dental assisting scope of practice, and educational and licensing requirements, will change. In addition to modifications in the existing Dental Assistant, Registered Dental Assistant, and Registered Dental Assistant in Extended Functions categories, two new specialty permits in Orthodontic Assisting and Sedation Assisting will be created. RDAs and RDAEFs may obtain the new specialty permits by completing educational requirements and passage of a written examination. Of particular importance are new responsibilities of dentists in the employment of unlicensed dental assistants. Questions regarding these changes or other aspects of dental assistant licensure, training, or scope-of-practice should be directed to CSPD Public Policy Advocate Paul Reggiardo, DDS, at Reggiardo@prodigy.net.

Dental Assisting Categories

Dental Assistant (DA)

(Responsibility of Employer DDS)

- Within 12 months, must complete DBC-approved course in (1) CA Dental Practice Act [2 hours] and (2) Infection Control [8 hours]
- Obtain and/or maintain basic life support certification

Registered Dental Assitant (RDA)

- All course and BLS requirements for DA
- Completion of RDA education program or 15 months of dental assisting work experience
- Passage of DBC administered written and practical examination
- Passage of DBC administered law and ethics examination
- 25 hours of qualifying continuing education in each 2-year license renewal cycle

Registered Dental Assitant in Extended Functions (RDAEF)

- Completion of all RDA requirements
- Completion of RDEAF postsecondary program
- DBC administered written and practical examinations
- 25 hours of qualifying continuing education in each 2-year license renewal cycle

Specialty-Specific (Add-On) Permits

Orthodontic Assistant Permit (OAP)

- 12-months DA work experience or RDA / RDAEF license
- Completion of 84-hour DBC-approved orthodontic assistant course
- Passage of DBC administered written examination
- 25 hours of qualifying continuing education in each 2-year renewal cycle

Dental Sedation Assistant Permit (DSAP)

- 12-months DA work experience or RDA / RDAEF license
- Completion of 110-hour DBC-approved sedation assistant course
- Passage of DBC administered written examination
- 25 hours of qualifying continuing education in each 2-year renewal cycle



CSPD Members Present Oral Health to Pediatricians

The CA-AAP Chapter 4 held their annual meeting at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Newport Beach, October 31- November 2, 2008. Drs. Sarah Ghaemmahami, Rebecca Lee-Pair, and Oariona Lowe represented CSPD and shared a table presentation with Diane Limbo from Healthy Smiles of Orange County. The meeting was well-attended by local pediatricians. Many of them had questions about oral health for infants.

The CSPD Auxiliary Course ... Has it come to an end?

For the past 16 years, the CSPD has hosted a course for our dental auxiliaries. CSPD's former president, Weyland Lum, summed up the intent of the course in a letter to the Board of Directors, "Historically, CSPD took on the challenge and responsibility of providing continuing education courses specifically for the dental auxiliaries in pediatric dentistry because no other organization was regularly providing them." In the early years of the course, it was well attended and the society realized a modest profit. Unfortunately, due to low attendance and the rising cost of hotel rental, catering and speaker honorariums, the Auxiliary Course has lost money 8 of the past 9 years (almost \$3,000 in 2008). The 2008 course in Northern California was cancelled due to low registration and it took a huge effort by the CE Committee to salvage the Southern California course.

We are now at a crossroads. At our January, 2009 Board of Directors meeting, the Board was split between discontinuing the course completely and trying one more time with a different format. For now, there will not be a course in 2009 and the CE Committee will be looking at changing the direction of the program. It has been proposed that we hold the lectures in lower cost venues such as dental schools and utilize CSPD members to provide the course. While options such as these will be explored, it is my opinion that our membership look to CSPD's Online Continuing Education (OCE) as a way to provide CE for their auxiliaries. This is an inexpensive option which can be done in the office or at a time which is convenient for them. Our OCE committee is working diligently to put more courses online and look at different pricing strategies which will be affordable for our membership.

If you feel strongly one way or the other, we would greatly appreciate input from our membership. Attendance at these courses is typically from the same small number of offices and we need to know if we should put our efforts into reviving the auxiliary course or look to the future: online continuing education.



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

The past year has seen a number of Milestones for our specialty come and go. Among other things, we witnessed the passing of three individuals who were truly luminaries in Pediatric Dentistry.

Tom Barber, one of our own, who served as the first executive director of CSPD passed away of complication following open heart surgery, at age 84. Tom was the department chair at UCLA from 1970 until his retirement in the 1990's. Tom is the reason that my wife Penny and I moved our then young family to California in 1971 to join the Pediatric Dentistry faculty and become part of the Bruin family. Tom will be remembered, and sorely missed, as a friend, mentor and icon of our specialty. Many of our lives were directly touched and influenced by his presence on this earth.

Ray Klein, former President of AAPD and the AAPD Foundation (HSHC) and friend to many of us passed away unexpectedly on September 22, 2008 at age 71. Ray was a graduate of Indiana University's Pediatric Dentistry Program in 1964. He practiced in Jacksonville, Florida where he dedicated his career to helping underserved communities improve their oral health care. His kindness and gentleness touched everyone he knew.

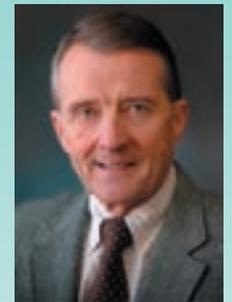
Paul Taylor, who chaired the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at Baylor University from its inception in 1960 until his retirement in 1986, passed away on September 17, 2008 at age 87. Paul touched the lives of many of us over the years as a mentor,

friend and educator. He was the American Board examiner who did the office visit portion for my ABPD exams in 1985. My memories of that experience are highlighted by his calm, kind and reassuring presence thru what can only be described as a most unnerving and stressful experience.

On a more upbeat note, by the time you read this report you will have received your CSPD annual dues notice for the 2008-2009 year. I am pleased to report that, for the very first time, members now have the option to pay their annual dues by charging to their Visa or MasterCard credit cards. As of December 31, 192 out of 412 (30%) of our members have used this option to pay their dues. This may not seem like such a "big deal" but this new member service has taken an unbelievable amount of time and effort to facilitate.

Similarly, the same credit card options will be available when registering for the annual meeting to be held this April in Lake Tahoe. The registration information for that meeting is now available online at the CSPD Website. David Rothman, with the support of Andrea Young, our CSPD Meeting Planner, have an outstanding program planned at Squaw Valley Resort, set in the High Sierras near beautiful Lake Tahoe. Steve Niethamer deserves kudos once again for his tireless assistance in adapting the Registration Forms and materials to our CSPD Website.

The Online Continuing Education Committee capably headed by Lonnie Lovingier has made great progress in expanding the number and scope of



*Ray Stewart
Executive Director*

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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Squaw Creek in April, and learn more about them in the Spring issue of the Bulletin.

The Foundation is moving to enhance its impact on pediatric dental education and providing more support for our academicians. We are now developing a job description and program for a Resource Development Director, who would enable us to secure grants and contributions from outside of CSPD so as to fund these more costly, innovative programs.

Currently we are again supporting student pediatric dental student groups at each school, partially funding postdoctoral student attendance at the CSPD Annual Meeting and funding the Warren Brandli CSPD Board Intern. We have also recently awarded an Investigator-Initiated Research Grant to a new faculty member at UCSF.

We are strongly encouraging applications for the Foundation's scholarship to attend Master Clinician training. This is a superb

program for half to full time academicians which is held in conjunction with the AAPD at the Academy of Academic Leadership's Institute for Teaching and Learning. It is designed to expand the knowledge, skills and educational structure of those teaching within our pediatric dental departments or with our postdoctoral programs. Please contact Ray Stewart, our Executive Director, for more details in order to apply for this coming academic year.

To aid in communicating the details of all of our grant categories as well as our current recipients and their projects, we are simplifying access to the Foundation's pages on the CSPD Website. You will soon be able to select our information directly from the CSPD homepage. In addition, you will also be able to contribute to the Foundation on-line, through this website.

This last point reminds me to request that our completed Life *(Please see page 14)*

I wish to thank all of you who have completed the Foundation's survey during the past few months. In this New Year we will be moving into expanded directions, some of which have been recommended by your responses. We are also proud to have selected some exceptional new candidates to join our board in moving our programs forward. You will meet them at the CSPD Annual Meeting at

CSPD Foundation Auction Alert

Squaw Valley will be a great meeting and the Foundation's Silent and Live Auction will be bigger, more exciting and will help us raise an additional \$20,000 for pediatric dental education.

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Members consider continuing their support beyond their Life Member commitment, contributing to donor directed funds or continued general funds giving. There are many unique opportunities for giving, in addition to our annual appeal. Please, everyone, also consider a gift in your name, or that of your practice, for special occasion or recognition (for instance, a birth or private achievement, a memorial tribute, or to acknowledge a patient referral or exceptional staff member).

At this year's Annual Meeting in Squaw Creek we will have a silent and live auction culminating at the Saturday evening social function. As you all remember from last year, this was a very lively event allowing all of us to compete for a wide variety of items. We invite your contributions to our auction and have already secured some wonderful gifts and trips for your bidding. Please see Steve Gross's email message and his article regarding the auction.

The Foundation Presidents' Circle reception will be held on Friday evening

following the afternoon lecture by Dr. Mao. This invitation only event gives your Foundation Board an opportunity to acknowledge and thank our leadership donors, who have allowed us to continue and expand our programs in pediatric dental education in California.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact me at sobelrl@aol.com or at 510-531-4008. I look forward to seeing all of you at Squaw Creek

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The California Society of Pediatric Dentistry Foundation has voted to fund up to two California new faculty members to attend the 2009 teachers training course presented by the Institute for Teaching and Learning in the Health Professions Program in cooperation with the Foundation of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry.

The need to help dentists prepare for the academic side of dentistry has long been well-recognized. The Academy of Academic Leadership, through their program called the Institute for Teaching and Learning in the Health Professions Program for Dental School Faculty, helps provide these needed skills. This group is led by Dr. Karl Haden, an expert in health professionals' education. This group has taught 35 dentists, various subjects such as case-based learning, addressing personality and learning styles including working with the "Generation Y" student, advanced clinical and classroom teaching practices and research and publication. This year, the programs were presented at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Dentistry and University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry providing a real-life context for the learning experience.

For 2008, the Foundation of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry sponsored 5 dentists to attend the Academy of Academic Leadership plus the AAPD Comprehensive Review of Pediatric Dentistry course. This was a part of the AAPD's Master Clinician program. Those receiving the grants were from Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health, Kentucky College of Dentistry, St. Joseph Hospital for Specialty Care, Meharry School of Dentistry and Dr. Elliot Shulman with 25 years in the US Air Force who will be transitioning into WVU.

The California Society of Pediatric Dentistry Foundation is offering 2 full tuition scholarships of approximately \$5500 for the Health Professions Program and the AAPD Review Course. It will involve two phases with the Leadership Institute (total of 6.5 days) and the 2 day review course. Transportation would be paid for by the candidate and/or affiliated dental school.

If selected, the candidate would be required to commit to teaching in a California dental school or Pediatric Dentistry postdoctoral program for at least two days per week for a minimum of one year. A letter

verifying acceptance of a position from a dean of the dental school is also required.

If you are interested in applying and able to meet the requirements for the Pediatric Dentistry Master Clinician program scholarship, please contact the Foundation's Executive Director, Dr. Ray Stewart for further information and/or an application at DrRStewart@aol.com.

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The Value of a CSPDF grant ... My Experience

A. Jeffrey Wood, DDS

I am the fortunate recipient of a CSPDF grant for a study titled: "Dental student predication of pediatric patient anxiety." The study evaluates the effectiveness of dental students in predicting their pediatric patients' anxiety, and was spawned by the lack of this specific information in the literature. We hope that the results will give us insights into what factors affect a dental student's predictive ability, with the ultimate goal that this information may help us better teach our students this important skill in pediatric patient care.

My student co-author, who was an undergraduate dental student at the inception of this study, is now in residency to become a pediatric dentist. The benefit to that student is obvious. An additional undergraduate student, also planning to join our specialty, has now joined the study and, along with my original student co-author, is working on the project. One ancillary benefit has been that the study has peaked the interest of both faculty and other students in the clinic in research and academic pursuit of knowledge.

Without the CSPDF grant, this study and the ensuing benefits could not have happened. My department has no budget for research activities for labor-intensive projects. Because of the relatively large number of study subjects (both students and patients), a research assistant was essential for obtaining consents from all involved, and for collecting and recording data. Further, statistical analysis of the data, which is currently in progress, required an outside statistician; another expense covered by the grant. It is my pleasure to acknowledge the support of the CSPDF in our publication!

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UCLA RESIDENTS

Section of Pediatric Dentistry – Summer 2008 Entering Class



Aimee Bernardez-Fu, D.D.S. – Resident Campus Program

Dr. Aimee Bernardez-Fu was born in Anchorage, AK, and moved to Seattle, WA at age 14. She attended University of the Pacific's (2+3) accelerated program for both undergraduate and dental school, receiving her D.D.S. degree in 2006. She completed a General Practice Residency at Denver Health Medical Center in Colorado, and worked in private practice for a year before coming to UCLA. Her plans for the future include private practice, volunteer mission dental work, teaching, and raising a family.

Albert Liu, D.M.D., M.B.A. – Resident Campus Program

Dr. Albert Liu was born in Chicago, IL and raised in Los Angeles, CA. He attended Pomona College and graduated with a B.A. degree in molecular biology in 1998. Dr. Liu completed the dual degree D.M.D./M.B.A. program at Temple University in 2002. After graduation, Dr. Liu worked for five years as an Associate in a private practice located in Boston, MA. Dr. Liu then relocated to Los Angeles where he practiced dentistry at a community health clinic in downtown Los Angeles. During the past year Dr. Liu was a member of the Cleft Lip and Palate team at Orthopaedic Hospital. Upon completion of his Pediatric Dentistry Residency in 2010, Dr. Liu plans to work in private practice and to resume craniofacial community service.



Van Orenstein, D.M.D. – Resident Campus Program

Dr. Van Orenstein was born and raised in Boston, MA. He graduated from the University of Vermont with a B.A. degree in History in 2000 and went on to complete a post-baccalaureate program at the University of California, San Diego. Dr. Orenstein earned his D.M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania, School of Dental Medicine. Upon completion of his training in Pediatric Dentistry in 2010, Dr. Orenstein's plans include private practice, teaching, and providing dental care to children in need in this country and abroad.

Ashley Puleo Schaaf, D.D.S., M.P.H. – Resident Campus Program

Dr. Ashley Schaaf is a native of Pinehurst, NC and is the oldest of six children. She graduated from Emory University with a B.A. in Sociology in 2001. While in college Ashley was a member of the AKD Honor Society and a four-time UAA Academic All-Conference recipient for both volleyball and track and field. In conjunction with her undergraduate studies at Emory, Ashley received her Masters Degree in Public Health in 2002 while working with the Georgia Folic Acid Campaign. Following this she was a fellow at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention focusing on emergency response. She graduated from the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry in 2008 where her research focused on pain management after LeFort procedures and the psychosocial aspects of orthodontia. While in dental school she was awarded the Albert Schweitzer Fellowship for her development of the UNC Mouthguard Program which has outfitted over 600 middle and high school athletes with custom mouthguards. Upon graduation from her UCLA pediatric residency in 2010, she plans to become a private practitioner providing comprehensive care, continuing her community outreach, teaching part time, and possibly acting as a national health correspondent focusing on pediatric dental health.



Macario Soliman, D.D.S. – Resident Venice/CHAT Program

Dr. Soliman was born in Manila, Philippines. He immigrated to the U.S. when he was 8 years old and lived in Pomona, CA. He graduated with a B.S. in Health Science from the University of Nevada, Reno in 2000. He then worked for three years for Children's Oral Health Program in Salinas, CA as a dental health educator serving underserved and undocumented children. He received his D.D.S. from the University of California San Francisco in 2007. After graduation from dental school, Dr. Soliman returned to Salinas as a part-time dentist serving the children he once helped. He also worked at Native American Health Center San Francisco seeing medically compromised adults and worked with the Infant and Toddler Oral Care Prevention Program. After graduation, Dr. Soliman plans to work both in private and community settings.

Shana Berger Van Cleave, D.D.S. – Resident Campus Program

Dr. Shana Berger Van Cleave was born in Los Angeles while her father completed his pediatric residency at UCLA, and was raised in Northern California and Georgia. She married and had children prior to completing her B.S. in Biochemistry, which she earned from University of California, Riverside in 2005. She then attended the University of the Pacific, Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry in San Francisco. While there, she was active in the leadership of the dental school's community outreach program, and initiated a research project that earned second place at the CDA convention in Anaheim in 2008. Her plans after her dental residency are to join her father in private practice in Santa Rosa, CA and possibly teach at one of the San Francisco dental schools.



LLU RESIDENTS

Section of Pediatric Dentistry – Summer 2008 Entering Class



Samah Omar DDS

Samah was born on May 21, 1977 although her nationality is Jordanian her birth place is Saudi Arabia. She attended Dental school in Jordan from 1994-1999. After graduating she worked in a private office until 2002. In the same year Samah and her family came to the United States. Samah entered in the International Department Program also known as IDP in Loma Linda University where she earned her Doctor Dental Degree in 2007. Samah enjoys reading, doing crafts, cooking and spending time with her family. Samah is married with two beautiful children Jamal three year old son and Tala one year old daughter. Samah's husband Aladdin Al-Ardah, who is a dentist in Implant, he is a faculty member at Loma Linda University and also works in a private office. Samah's career plans upon receiving her degree in Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry are open to a wide variety which includes possible Associate ship, Faculty member, and even working in a

Private office atmosphere. Samah and her family have chosen to call Loma Linda, California home.

Sameh (Sam) Alzayat DDS

Sameuh (Sam) was born on December 30, 1977 in Egypt, and moved to Los Angeles California when he was thirteen years old. Since his move to the United States he has numerous accomplishments such as: graduating from Glendale High School in 1992, receiving a certificate in Emergency Medical Technician in 1994, degrees in Bachelor of Arts, Biology from La Sierra University in 1998. He attended Loma Linda University School of Dentistry and received his Doctor of Dental Surgery in 2004. Since then he has accrued various work experiences from Assistant Professor, Restorative Dentistry at Loma Linda University School of Dentistry, Associate Dentist at Pundt Family Dentistry in Killeen, Texas, Associate Dentist at Brandt Pediatric Dentistry in Killeen, Texas, Adjunct Assistant Professor, in the Department of Dental Educational Services at Loma Linda University School of Dentistry. Now he has returned to Loma Linda University to receive his degree in Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry. Sam interest involves basketball, wake boarding and camping. Sam has also taken activeness in community services for example he was a student missionary dentist in Buca Bay Medical Clinic in Fiji, Clinic with a Heart at Loma Linda University School of Dentistry, and Missionary Dentist in Turks and Caicos Islands.



Raelene Mc Dowall DDS

Raelene was born November 12, 1975 in Aberdeen, South Dakota and was raised in Central Florida. Raelene attended Loma Linda University School of Dentistry where she earned her Doctor of Dental Surgery in 2007. Raelene loves traveling, singing, theater, camping, hiking, snowboarding and reading. Once she receives her degree in Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry Raelene would like to be an associate and gain some experience and knowledge. Then eventually open her Pediatric Dentistry Clinic. Raelene and her husband have considered staying in Southern California, but have dreams of moving to the Denver, Colorado area. They are very open to possibilities.

Bryan Fletcher DDS

Bryan was born August 1, 1981 in Columbus, Ohio, he attended Auburn Adventist Academy and graduated high school in 2000. He also attended Walla Walla University and graduated in 2004. He attended Loma Linda University School of Dentistry and graduated in 2008. While in dental school he received honors in Pediatric Dentistry and received awards in Pediatric Dentistry and Operative Dentistry. Bryan's hobbies include mountain biking, road biking, snow skiing, rock climbing, hiking, camping, water skiing, and traveling. Bryan has also had a passion for volunteer work, he has been to Mexico several times to do volunteer work in clinics. Bryan has been on eight mission trips where he has volunteered in clinics and also built schools in Central and South America. Upon receiving his degree in Advanced Education in Pediatric Dentistry, Bryan plans to live in California for one year while his wife finishes her Family Practice Residency. Then they will move to Oregon.





Steve Niethamer, DMD
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WEBSITE NOTES

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Gregory Rabitz, DDS
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Making Payments Online

Paying bills online continues to get easier and, in fact, more convenient than mailing a check by slow mail. Over the past year, CSPD was swept along by this trend. The Online Continuing Education program started a few years ago using a mail-in-application-with-a-check system to receive CE credits. This system never really took off. Web surfers and those with relicensing deadlines seem to want immediate gratification. So we created the successful online payment system that allows the participant to pay, watch, take a test, grade test and dispense CE certificate – all instantaneously online.

Online Annual Meeting Registration is the next step in this progression. Members and others can register for the annual meetings of CSPD and WSPD, reserve a room, and even purchase a lift ticket, all online and within minutes. The system gives meeting planners an up-to-the-minute record of who is registered and what functions they want to attend. This information helps CSPD control food and beverage costs. It also helps our organization reduce the huge financial risk of being responsible to pay for an unfilled block of hotel rooms.

Being swept further along with this trend, CSPD already uses **electronic application forms for Table Clinics** which when completed are emailed off to the member in charge. Soon we may also have electronic forms for membership applications/renewals. These neat PDF forms could be available 24/7 on the website, filled-in at your computer and then emailed (or printed and slow mailed with a check) to our Executive Director. We will have a "Pay Now" button that will allow members to pay using PayPal credit card options. Even the CSPD Foundation may soon have an online "Donate Now" ability.

New Help for our Members

California Education Code specifically provides that absences for dental care shall be excused. Our Public Policy Advocate, Dr. Paul Reggiardo, again, comes to the aid of CSPD and CDA by creating a joint statement addressing concerns of parents and/or school administrations regarding these professional visits. Also, as a result of the passage of AB 2637 in 2008, the dental assisting scope of practice and educational/licensing requirements have changed. Dr. Reggiardo provides a summary entitled, the Dental Assisting Structure and Educational Requirements. Visit the website to download this helpful information.

CSPD has teamed with AAP (American Academy of Pediatrics) in promoting the PACT (Protecting All Children's Teeth) Program for Pediatric Medical Residency Programs

PACT was developed to assist Pediatric Residency training programs in preparing their residents to become competent in children's oral health. The curriculum can be used via the internet by residency training programs to provide or augment the dental educational experience. The curriculum is not limited to resident training. It can also be utilized by medical students, faculty members, and practicing pediatricians or other children's health providers to educate themselves about children's oral health. PACT is a 13 chapter educational endeavor encompassing all basic oral health information that a pediatrician needs in general practice. PACT was piloted first at Albany

Medical Center's Pediatric Residency Program. Pre-test scores demonstrated some areas of deficit and the post-test results are encouraging as the average post-test score was 20.6% higher than the pre-test. Other residency programs have shown interest in this program, including UCLA, Duke, and the University of Toledo. The goal of the Child Advocacy Subcommittee / Public & Professional Relations is to encourage the Pediatric Medical programs in California to adopt this program. If widely utilized, this project could serve to standardize national pediatric oral health education for all residencies and perhaps produce the first generation of pediatricians adequately trained in oral health.

Fluoride Update

West Sacramento: The city of West Sacramento (pop. ~50,000) completed their process for installing community water fluoridation equipment into the public water system. The City began fluoridating its water in May 2008.

San Diego: The CDA Foundation has been managing the fluoridation project for First 5 San Diego since July 2008. Primary activities for the second half of the year entailed the development and negotiation of a funding agreement between First 5 and the City for funding the capital and operations of the fluoridation system. That

contract is expected to be executed in the first quarter of 2009. Shortly after that contract is complete, CDA Foundation will begin to work with the other identified water districts throughout San Diego County to begin a similar process.

Los Angeles: First 5 LA had hired an additional staff member to meet with water districts that may have the potential to apply for funds. A few months prior F5LA had not received many applications. First 5 received significant feedback from water districts that the application process was overly cumbersome and

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The American Academy of Pediatrics' Oral Health Initiative publishes the Pediatric Oral Health E-Newsletter monthly. Each issue contains oral health announcements, news items, funding opportunities, conferences, resources, and program highlights. The E-Newsletter has valuable resources and information around children's oral health. CSPD members can receive this email publication for free. If interested, please send your email address to Ms. Wendy Nelson. WNelson@aap.org

CALIFORNIA PEDIATRICIANS WELCOME CSPD ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Pediatric Oral Health issues are of primary concern for our pediatrician colleagues. With the advent of the establishment of the Dental Home and Oral Health Assessments the American Academy of Pediatrics needs our help and support. The AAP welcomes our members to join their organization as Associate members.

All interested CSPD members should contact their local California Chapters through AAP.org/membership section or they can contact Oariona Lowe at w.roslo@verizon.net for membership information.

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CSPD

April 2-5 2009: CSPD's 34th Annual Session at Lake Tahoe, CA

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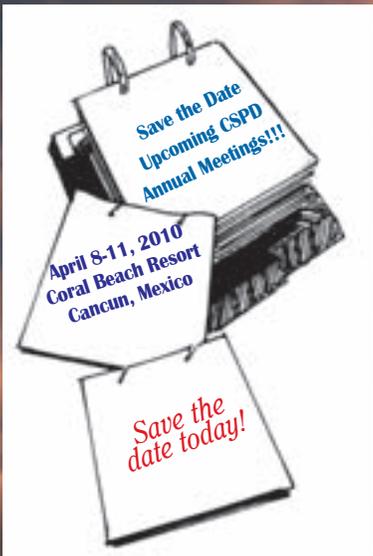
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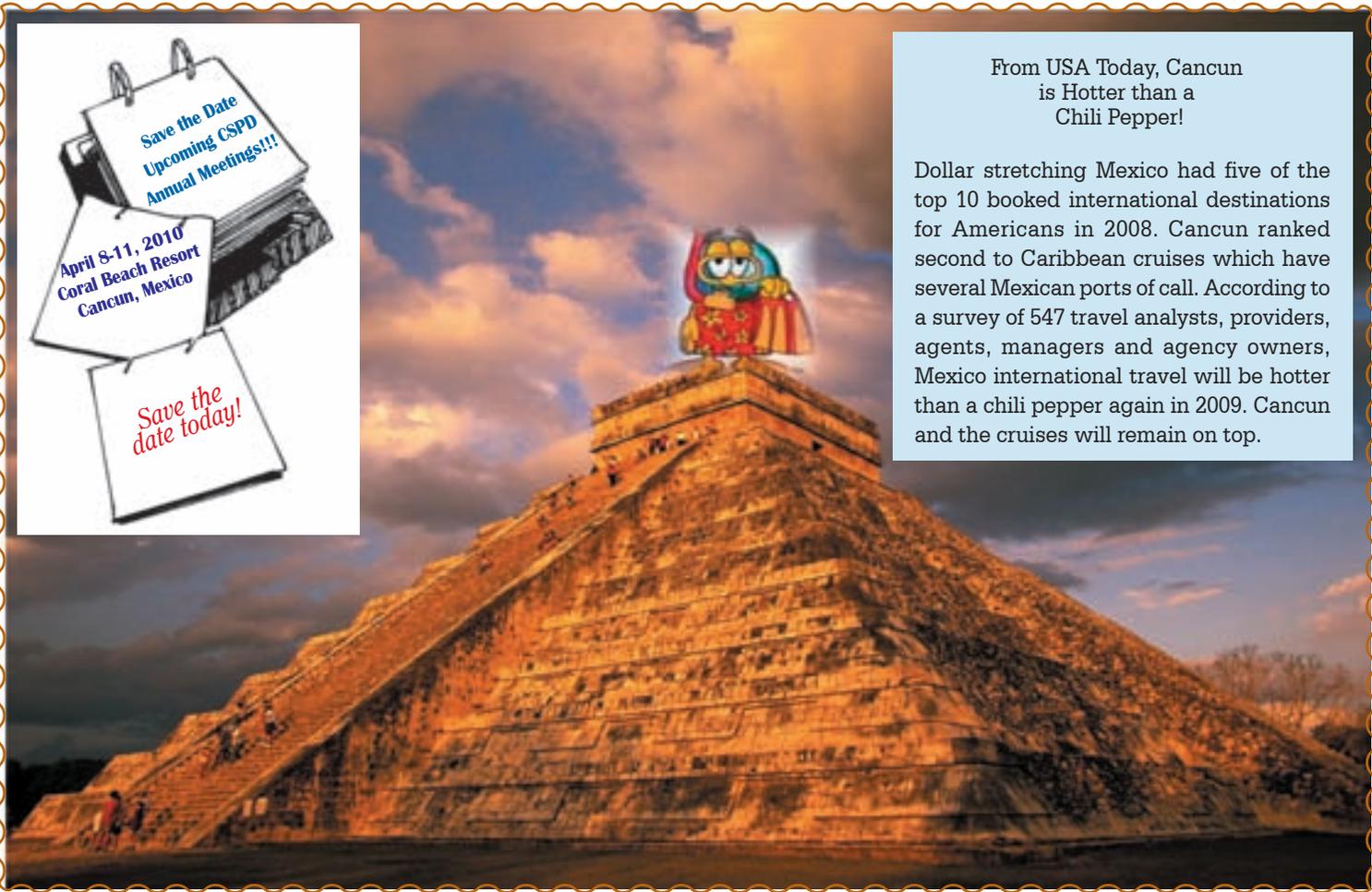


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From USA Today, Cancun is Hotter than a Chili Pepper!

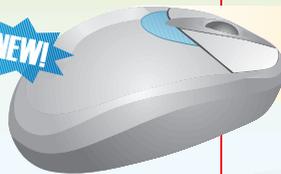
Dollar stretching Mexico had five of the top 10 booked international destinations for Americans in 2008. Cancun ranked second to Caribbean cruises which have several Mexican ports of call. According to a survey of 547 travel analysts, providers, agents, managers and agency owners, Mexico international travel will be hotter than a chili pepper again in 2009. Cancun and the cruises will remain on top.



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difficult to navigate. First 5 made a commitment to attempt to streamline their application process. First 5 is expected to release the revised RFP for water districts in the first quarter of 2009.

Metropolitan Water District: In November 2007, a letter was sent to all providers recommending that they suspend prescription supplements for one year while the fluoridation level from MWD water was established in each community. That process is complete and providers will receive this update letter in order to make informed prescription decisions for their patients. The letter was expected to be distributed in November 2008, however with the State budget crisis the staff at CDPH have been assigned to other pressing matters. The revised goal is to have the letter distributed by the end of the first quarter of 2009.



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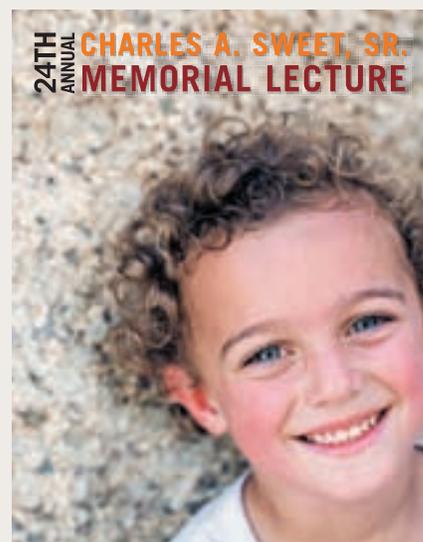
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offerings available online thru the CSPD Website. It is now possible to satisfy the CE requirements for the Oral Conscious Sedation Permit renewal by subscribing to the appropriate courses offered. His committee consisting of Steve Niethamer, Roland Hansen, José Polido and Gary Sabbadini are working very hard to expand the menu of course offerings as reported in their accompanying Board report.

Another topic very worthy of mention is the CSPD Foundation's recent commitment to support the recently established Master Clinician Program. In the past year, the AAPD has formally organized a Master Clinician program to encourage experienced practitioners to participate in academic positions in dental schools or postdoctoral training programs.

The goal of this program is to enhance the practitioner's knowledge and use of teaching skills by attending the Academy for Academic Leadership's Institute for Teaching and Learning. This group is led by Dr. Karl Haden, an expert in health professionals' education. He has

collaborated with the American Dental Education Association and has worked with dental schools and other specialty groups throughout the U.S.

CSPDF will fund a program for up to two individuals to attend this program in 2008-2009. The cost would be approximately \$5500 per person (including the AAPD Review course). It would consist of two phases with the Leadership Institute (a total of 6.5 days) and two days at the AAPD Review Course.

The requirements would be a commitment to teach in a California school or program at least two days per week for a minimum of one year and a letter verifying this acceptance from a dean of the school. Please consider completing an application if you think that you might be interested in this program.

Let us hope that the new year will be better for our nation, the world and for all of us and our families.

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allow attendees to take full advantage of the beautiful surroundings and all that the resort has to offer.

Another first will be our split schedule (lectures in the morning and in the late afternoon) to allow attendees free time in the middle of the day to ski or otherwise enjoy the beautiful Lake Tahoe area. We will follow the late afternoon lecture with après ski hot chocolate and hot cider in our exhibit hall. This will be a chance to visit with our sponsors, who are so integral to the success of our meeting. Our new officer installation will happen at a Saturday morning breakfast instead of the usual lunch event. This new meeting schedule will allow everyone to participate fully in both the meeting and in everything that this spectacular setting has to offer!

Have you registered yet? If so you may have already noticed some other firsts associated with our annual meeting. We now have the capability to accept credit card payment for registration fees and registration can be handled through our website. We're also managing Squaw Creek room reservations through our website after your meeting registration has been completed. This amounts to one-stop shopping for our members; no more mailing in checks, no more additional calls to the hotel for room reservations!

With all of these firsts for our annual meeting, this will be a meeting not to be missed; be sure that you are there!

This is also a time of personal transition for me; at the Squaw Creek meeting I will happily hand the gavel to Lindsey Robinson. It has been my privilege to serve as your president for the past year, and soon I will move into the role of immediate past-president. While the lessened responsibility will be a relief of sorts, I will also miss being at the helm of the CSPD. Leading such a prestigious organization is an honor. It is also a pleasure because of the wonderful people in the leadership of the organization who help guide and support the president. I owe a debt of gratitude to each of them. Our new executive director is getting his feet firmly on the ground and will be a huge asset to the organization. Your board of directors represents the best and the brightest in our organization. They sacrifice their time and effort on a regular basis to make our organization stronger and more productive. Most board members chair committees, serve as liaisons to other organizations and represent the CSPD wherever they go; we are fortunate to have each and every one of them working for us. Your officers for next year are equally dedicated to the CSPD and will take us to new heights and

greater goals. The organization couldn't be in better hands!

In closing, let me also thank each of you who, as members, support the CSPD and its mission. Your organization is effective, well-respected and something that we can all be proud of. It has been my privilege to be in the lead for a brief time. Together with all of you, I am excited to see all of the new transitions to come!

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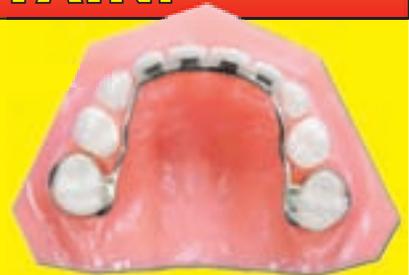
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