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"In Pursuit of Excellence Through Continuing Education"

Implant Hands-On Course Sells Out!

The March hands-on course featuring Dr. Karl Koerner was a marvelous success. We wish that so many didn't have to be turned away. Spaces were limited for this fantastic course. The course was held at the E center in West Valley and featured good food, excellent training, numerous sponsors and guest speakers and several exhibits and presentations.

The hands-on portion included placement of an Ankylos implant, a Nobel Biocare implant and a PepGen P-15 bone graft with a Cytoplast ePTFE membrane with a PTFE suture in simulated models with soft tissue.

We wish to thank our terrific sponsors: Bubba's Dental Supply, Tulsa Densply, Sargon Dental, Nobel Biocare, Richard Findlay Dental Lab, Richard Green of Swan Creek Aesthetics lab

Participants were given stacks of information about various suppliers, equipment, and techniques.

Guest speakers included: Steve Peay, CDT, who lectured on laboratory communications in implant cases; Duane Perry, DRT, who spoke on cone beam CAT scans and their benefits especially in surgical planning; Dr. Jason Lewis who spoke on laser use in the practice, particularly a new CO2 laser with exciting benefits; and Dr. Thane Hales who spoke on Platelet Rich Plasma procedures, results and equipment.

Dr. Koerner offered practical advice in a quick paced format that stimulated audience participation and elicited questions from many experienced practitioners. There was plenty of help from the sponsors during the course who were available for consultation.

The course was worth 14 hours of credit for attendees. An additional 21 hours may be earned by completing the following assignment:

Pick any combination of at least 2 of the following:

- Surgical placement of one implant case
 - Surgical bone graft on 1 case
 - Restorative work on 2 implant cases
 - Pre-operative treatment planning on 2 implant cases
- These cases should be presented to the class at our next hands-on course. Time and place TBA. Look for 1st week of November. The topic will concern Pedo/ortho.

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Tricks and Pearls CE Course in May

May 11, 2007 will surely be one of the highlight CE courses of your career. Several speakers will give updates and pearls in short segments that will keep the day energetic and informative with ready to use tricks for Monday morning and beyond. We have assembled a talented and sought after group of speakers who will give you what you need.

Dr. Matt Schweppe will offer updates in pediatric dentistry. Dr. Schweppe has supported the AGD several times and we're grateful for his insight. Dr. Steven Larsen of Logan will give us tricks on the latest and greatest in endodontics. He has authored several publications in the field and is well respected. Dr. Lloyd Tilt will present on the subject of periodontics and no doubt offer research on the use of lasers in periodontal therapy. He lectures extensively.

One of the highlights to this meeting will concern fraud and embezzlement. Learn common pitfalls and mistakes. Catch up on business practices that can save you thousands of dollars and years of heartache. Recognize the signs and symptoms that go with this all-too-common ailment of the private dental practice. If you have employees, you must attend this course!

Mark your calendars for Friday, May 11, 2007 from 8:00am to 5:00pm at the Ultradent Conference room. Course fee is \$150 for AGD members and \$200 for non-members. Please come out and get the latest primers in these key areas. You will be grateful you did.

See you there!

June 27 - July 1, 2007
San Diego Convention Center



Welcome to **AGD2007SanDiego!**

I can't remember the last time there was so much excitement and anticipation surrounding the Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) Annual Meeting & Exhibits! This year, the time-honored AGD convocation ceremony will take place on the historic USS Midway aircraft carrier—and that's just the start of several new exciting festivities. We will also be hosting our new Premier Celebration on the ship—complete with fireworks, entertainment, and a breath-taking view of the San Diego cityscape as seen from the bay.

Make plans now to join us for **AGD2007SanDiego**—our 55th Annual Meeting & Exhibits from June 27 through July 1, at the San Diego Convention Center.

As you look through the **AGD2007SanDiego** registration brochure, I believe you will see why the AGD Annual Meeting & Exhibits continues to evolve into one of most important dental meetings you, your colleagues, and your staff should attend each year. This year, we've planned for more fun, excitement, and high-quality education than ever before!

As always, more than half of the scientific sessions you'll find at **AGD2007SanDiego** are free with your meeting registration—and you have more than 30 hands-on courses to choose from! With this kind of selection, you're certain to find new solutions, gain more knowledge, and learn essential tips and techniques that you can implement as soon as you return to your practice. This year, you'll have more time to spend with our vendors to learn about the best new products—plus, we'll be offering many exciting new events, programs, and incentives each day in the Exhibit Hall—including our new **AGD2007SanDiego** Welcome Reception. Plus, all registered dentists will receive a \$50 **AGD2007SanDiego** debit card to use in the Exhibit hall, along with \$10 lunch certificate for Friday and Saturday! All of the manufacturers, distributors, and dealers who exhibit at the meeting and advertise in our publications are important to the success of the AGD—so, please support our **AGD2007SanDiego** exhibitors!

There are few cities more beautiful than San Diego—the weather is nearly always perfect, and we're right next to the fabled San Diego Bay. There are thousands of sights and attractions right in the city, and close to San Diego—so there will be plenty for you and your family to experience and explore.

The fact is, though, that we attend the AGD Annual Meeting & Exhibits each year to learn and to see each other. That is what makes us so unique. Most of us are solo practitioners, and the AGD is our network—giving us the tools we need to be even better dentists. When you take time away from your practice, you want to use that time wisely. **AGD2007SanDiego** is the right choice!

I look forward to seeing you all there!

Bruce R. DeGinder, DDS, MAGD
AGD President, 2006-2007

Methamphetamine Course

Mark your calendar for Saturday April 7 8:00am to noon for a short course on Meth Mouth offered by the Dissident Dental Society and the UAGD.

This course will be at the E-center in West Valley City and give 3 credit hours of CE. Cost is \$40 for dentists and \$30 for auxiliaries with \$10 off if paid by April 4. Checks made to "Utah AGD" c/o Michel Haynie, 8031 W 3500 S, Magna, UT 84044, 801-250-0668.

Speakers include: Dr. Michele Frawley and Dr. Michael Slater presenting a table clinic, film maker Diana Montero with a 22 minute documentary on meth abuse in Utah presented at the Sundance Film festival, and Ms. Marjean Searcy who heads the Salt Lake Narcotics anti-meth effort detailing the efforts of law enforcement to head this ubiquitous and growing problem. "This plague touches every neighborhood and is present in every patient pool". Learn to recognize the signs and symptoms, the preventions and treatment and how to interact with those who debilitate themselves through this practice. Register now!

Learning Objectives:

- Pharmacology of Methamphetamine
- Oral manifestations/Diagnosis of Meth abuse
- Treatment and Prognosis
- Social consequences of meth abuse
- Legal/ Law enforcement issues

Continuing Education Calendar

The UAGD Board continually strives to furnish the best possible CE courses at a reasonable price. There are at least four traditional CE courses offered per year. Two day hands on courses are given on the second or third weekend in March and the first or second weekend of November and follow the rotating schedule shown below. Attendees are often working on Mastership requirements that demand certain hours in each of several areas, but anyone is welcome to attend. Space is limited so register early. Lecture CE courses are usually offered in May and in conjunction with the UAGD Business Meeting in September. Suggestions for future course topics or speakers are welcome.

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April 7	Methamphetamines
May 11	Tricks and Pearls-ideas on office policy and fraud protection
June 27-Jul 1	AGD Meeting @San Diego Convention Center
September 14	Business meeting and cosmetic dentistry.
November	Pedo/Ortho hands on

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March	Hands on
May	TBA To Be Announced
Jul 16-20	AGD Meeting @Walt Disney World in Orlando, FL
September	Business meeting
November	Oral Medicine/Diagnosis, Basic Science hands on



Cosmetic Pearls for the GP CE course

The September 14th annual UAGD business meeting will feature Dr. Marty Zase who is currently serving as the President of the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry. He is one of only eight dentists in the world to have both an MAGD and an accreditation from the AACD. He lectures internationally on cosmetic dentistry and has published many articles. We look forward to learning some key ingredients to enhance the cosmetic element in practice.

UAGD officers are elected during this meeting as well as the presentation of the UAGD dentist of the year. We remind you that any dentist may nominate a fellow colleague to this prestigious award. Please consider a meritorious dentist and submit a brief description of their character, service and qualifications to a member of the UAGD board. Deadline for submission is July 31, 2007 to be considered for this year's award. Meeting to be held at Ultradent.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

AGD2007SanDiego:

Invite Your Entire Dental Team

The 55th Academy of General Dentistry's (AGD) 2007 Annual Meeting & Exhibits

Purpose: The only dental meeting dedicated exclusively to advancing the value and excellence of general dentistry by providing continuing dental education for general dentists and the dental team.

Date: June 27 – July 1, 2007

Location: San Diego Convention Center
111 W. Harbor Dr.
San Diego, CA 92101

Clinicians: Top, renowned clinicians will provide participants with a full year's worth of quality continuing education in one place.

Courses include:

- Gordon Christensen, DDS,MSD,PHD,FAGD –DentistryUpdate
- John Svirsky, DDS, MEd – Oral Pathology
- Dale Miles, DDS, MS – Digital Imaging
- Cherilyn G. Sheets, DDS, FAGD – Restorative Dentistry
- Robert Edwab, DDS – Oral Surgery
- Gerard Chiche, DDS – Prosthodontics
- Jeffrey Okeson, DMD – Orofacial Pain/TMD
- M. Nader Sharifi, DDS, MS - Prosthodontics
- L. Stephen Buchanan, DDS, FICD, FACD – Endodontics
- Linda C. Niessen, DMD – Geriatric Dentistry
- Samuel B. Low, DDS, MS, M.Ed. – Periodontics
- Terry Tanaka, DDS, MAGD–Special Patient Care & Treatment Planning

Register at www.agd.org/sandiego07

AGD Fellowship Award Requirements (simplified)

1. Current AGD membership for three continuous years
2. Completion of 500 hours of FAGD/MAGD-approved continuing education credit, with at least 350 hours earned in course attendance. Mastership credit begins to accrue on the date that the 500-hours requirement has been met.
3. Successful completion of the Fellowship Examination.
4. Attendance at a Convocation Ceremony, held during the AGD Annual Meeting, to receive the award

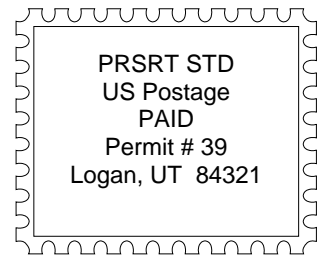
AGD Mastership Award Requirements (simplified)

600 hours of MAGD-approved continuing dental education credit, 400 of which must be in participation courses. Mastership credit begins to accrue on the date that the 500-hour Fellowship Award requirement has been met. The 600 credit hours must be earned in specific disciplines, as outlined under "Subject Category requirements."

	Hands On	Total Hrs
Endodontics	30	46
Electives	30	46
MPD/Occlusion	30	46
Operative Dentistry	30	46
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery	30	46
Orthodontics	12	12
Pediatric Dentistry	12	12
Periodontics	30	46
Practice Management	0	24
Fixed Prosthodontics	30	46
Removable Prosthodontics	30	46
Implants	30	46
Oral Med/Oral Diagnosis	12	12
Special Patient Care	12	12
Esthetics	30	46
TOTAL HOURS	360	544
TOTAL REQUIRED	400	600



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