Virginia AGD Starts MasterTrack Program, Heads to Charlottesville for Colonial Conference and Offers Fellowship Review Course!

Ghandi once said, “Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.” The Virginia AGD is passionate about lifelong learning and providing outstanding continuing education to our members. That’s why, this fall we are proud to announce the beginning of our very own MasterTrack program, on October 4th-6th in Reston, VA.

This program is the result of careful planning on behalf of our entire CE team to enable those wishing to achieve their Masters, or those who desire a great weekend of CE to obtain this education on a local level throughout a series of courses that will be conducted twice a year. For more information on this program please visit our website at www.vagd.org.

Our 2013 Colonial Conference this November will feature two phenomenal courses led by Dr. Terry Tanaka and Dr. Lee Ann Brady. On November 8th, Dr. Terry Tanaka will be presenting ‘New Guidelines for Restorative Dentists’. Recent advances in science and technology have changed the traditional approaches to problem solving and now require a more interdisciplinary treatment planning approach. Who should lead this team, the restorative dentist? What the restorative dentist must know and why, will be presented in a practical patient

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It has been an honor serving as your Virginia AGD President for the past year. This year the VAGD has accomplished so much; the introduction of the new CE Directory and lower cost CE Member Benefit, FellowTrack Courses, MasterTrack Program, increased sponsor support, multiple new board members, the creation and hiring of a new Sponsorship and Marketing Coordinator position, five successful CE courses hosted (with more in the coming months!), leadership in planning the wildly successful Regional Meeting, participation in A Great Dentist Goes to Washington and Channel 12 On Your Side question and answer session and representing Virginia with a full panel of enthusiastic and involved delegates at the AGD National Meeting and House of Delegates Sessions in Nashville, TN, just to name a few.

It is truly an outstanding group of individuals that are leading the Virginia AGD. The amount of time and energy put into the organization by these individuals and by the Executive Secretary is extraordinary. I am so proud to have been an integral part of this monumental year and am so appreciative to the individuals who serve on VAGD Board for all of his and her hard work, dedication, enthusiasm, new ideas and tireless efforts to contribute to the organization. I would like to thank you all for making this year a success and for continuing to lead us in a positive and engaging direction.

Personally, I have also had an exciting and busy year as my husband and I await the very quickly approaching birth of our first child and an upcoming move from the Shenandoah Valley/Charlottesville area to Northern Virginia. These last few months have been a whirlwind and I appreciate all of the support that the AGD has provided. I look forward to staying involved during my life transition and beyond. With such an amazing group of people and enthusiastic membership, serving as President has been extremely rewarding and genuinely fun. Thank you all again for your support, participation and help making the 2012-2013 year a fantastic one for the Virginia AGD.

With Gratitude,

Danielle H. Ryan, DDS
President Virginia AGD

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Please join us for the 25th

Annual Virginia AGD Colonial Conference

November 8 & 9

The Boar’s Head Inn, Charlottesville, VA

Nov. 8th, 2013 – Terry Tanaka, DDS
“New Guidelines for Restorative Dentists”

Nov. 9th, 2013 – Lee Ann Brady, DMD
“The Art of Treatment Planning & Case Acceptance”

A special room rate of $175 is available if you reserve by September 22, 2013.
Please call 434-296-2181 to reserve your room.

For further information, email VirginiaAGD@gmail.com or call 804-320-8803.
Two Courses in One Day!

ACLS Re-Certification Course (Course 7) & Sedation Dentistry Update Course (Course 8)

Friday October 18, 2013
The Sheraton Park South Hotel—Richmond, VA
ACLS Re-Certification Course—8am-12pm
Sedation Dentistry Update—1pm-5pm

Go to www.vagd.org to register or complete the registration form on Page 8
What the restorative dentist must know and why, will be presented in a practical patient rounds format. Dr. Tanaka is a Clinical Professor in graduate prosthodontics at the University of Southern California School of Dentistry and is a Diplomate of the American Board of Orofacial pain. He is widely recognized as a research anatomist and for his teaching of advanced restorative procedures. He is highly sought after as a speaker throughout the world, and is known for his exciting presentations and outstanding clinical skills.

On Day Two of our Colonial Conference, Dr. Lee Ann Brady will present ‘The Art of Treatment Planning & Case Acceptance’. This interactive program will present a systematic approach to treatment planning and case presentation. She will cover the areas of esthetics, function, and health. Participants will put the system into practice by actively treatment planning multiple cases during the program, discussing them with peers and ultimately seeing how the cases were managed. Dr. Lee Ann Brady is a nationally recognized educator, writer and privately practicing dentist. From 2005-2008 Dr. Brady held the positions of Resident Faculty and Clinical Director for the Pankey Institute. In 2008 she moved to Scottsdale, Arizona to join Dr. Frank Spear in the formation of Spear Education and served as Executive VP of Clinical Education until June 2011. As Director of Education and President of Lee Ann Brady LLC, she launched her website www.leeannbrady.com offering clinical and practice content daily as well as innovative online and live education programs. We know you will be invigorated by her captivating energy.

Albert Einstein said it best, “Wisdom is not a product of schooling but of the lifelong attempt to acquire it.” Our mission is to increase the value of your membership by delivering exceptional continuing education opportunities. Please take advantage by joining us this fall in Richmond.

We, Jenni Bobbio and Uzma Ansari are your Continuing Education Chair and Co-chair for the Virginia AGD and look forward to meeting you at one of our upcoming events this year. If there are any suggestions, questions or anything we can help with we look forward to hearing from you.
Dr. Tanaka is a Clinical Professor in graduate prosthodontics at the University of Southern California School of Dentistry and is a Diplomate of the American Board of Orofacial Pain. He maintains a practice limited to prosthodontics and orofacial pain and has restorative/prosthodontic study groups in Honolulu, Hawaii and San Diego, California.

"Recent advances in science and technology" have changed the traditional approaches to problem solving and now require a more "interdisciplinary treatment planning approach." New guidelines will be presented in the morning session and will be followed by a patient rounds format where participants will be asked to identify the etiology and the primary goals of treatment for different patient problems.

Course Objectives: (Interactive Patient Rounds Format)
1. To present new practical and science based guidelines for the treatment planning
2. To present a new "playbook" for treatment planning based upon the restorative dentist as the "quarterback."
3. To teach dentists "how to listen" to patients and "why they should listen" to their patients.
4. New guidelines for "force management." How to diagnose and manage occlusal and interproximal forces.
5. Each doctor and staff member will have an opportunity to listen to the patient history, read x-rays, identify and select the important criteria affecting the outcome and make a diagnosis and recommend a treatment plan.
6. Everyone will then select from a list of proposed treatments and select the restorative material of choice.
7. Everyone will have an opportunity to discuss their diagnoses and treatments.
8. Specific guidelines and references to published studies will be presented to avoid the, "because I said so," factor.

"Welcome back to graduate school."
Course 9: MasterTrack Series  
Friday Oct. 4 - Sunday Oct. 6, 2013  
8:00AM-5:00PM  
Protech Dental Studio  
Reston, VA

25 Hours of Participation and 25 Hours in Subject Code  
once you present your case presentation at the next  
MasterTrack session.

Friday October 4, 2013 and  
Saturday Half Day Hands On Session  
Dr. Marshall Fagin, DDS Prosthodontist  
“Nuts and Bolts of Implant Dentistry”  
Course Code, 690 Implants

Dr. Fagin received his dental degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine in 1970 and his Certificate in Prosthodontics in 1972 from Boston University. An international lecturer and educator for almost 35 years, Dr. Fagin frequently updates his colleagues on the most recent advances in cosmetic, implant and reconstructive dentistry. He is currently a part-time Associate Professor in the Dept. of Graduate Prosthodontics at SUNY at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine and has conducted several hands-on courses for dentists in Anterior Esthetic Makeovers at the school’s Esthetic Dentistry Education Center and for the University of Florida School of Dentistry’s Mastership Program.

Course Description: Utilizing the principles and technologies that contribute greatly to long-term success in implant treatment, you can alleviate a great deal of stress while contributing to significantly increased practice profitability. Leave with new insights & confidence in creating long term implant success.

• Understanding patients wants and needs.
• From proper diagnostics wax-up to surgical template design.
• Recognizing impact of bone density with treatment planning.
• Review of key occlusal concepts for long term success.
• Understanding how computer designed abutments & crowns can give excellent results.
• Discuss Cement Choices.
• Over-denture & Hybrid denture cases — with the latest in esthetics & wearability.

Saturday Afternoon  
October 5, 2013 and  
Sunday October 6 with 1/2 Day Hands On Session  
Dr. H.R. Makarita, DDS, MAGD, FAACD  
“Using Dental Photography & Laboratory Communications to Achieve Superior Clinical Results”  
Course Code, 138 Digital Dental Photography

Dr. Makarita graduated from the Medical College of Virginia School of Dentistry in 1988 and maintains a private practice in Oakton, VA with an emphasis on aesthetic reconstructive dentistry. Dr. Makarita was awarded Mastership status in the Academy of General Dentistry and is among an elite group of cosmetic dentists who have been accredited and attained Fellowship status by the Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry. Dr. Makarita was recognized internationally by winning numerous smile gallery awards with the Aacd, including the prestigious People’s Choice Award. His cosmetic and reconstructive dentistry has been featured on the cover of the Journal of Cosmetic Dentistry and has authored clinical articles related to TMJ, neuromuscular and aesthetic dentistry. Dr. Makarita is an international lecturer in the field of aesthetic reconstructive dentistry and Occlusion.

Course Description:
• A discussion of basic requirements for a good intraoral camera system.
• How to consistently get great results you can use for internal and external marketing.
• The Do’s and Don’ts of Clinical Photography.
• How to compose your photos so they are consistent with magnification.
• How good photography is essential in lab communications to obtain more predictable results.
• How to use photography in marketing to your patients during the initial consults.

For any questions on the MasterTrack Program, please contact us at 804-320-8803.
Course 10: Fellowship Review Course

Friday Nov. 15 - Saturday Nov. 17, 2013
8:30AM-5:00PM Fri & Sat Review
8:30AM-2:00PM Sunday Exam

Sheraton Park South, Richmond, VA
Room Rate of $99 available if you reserve by Oct. 24th*

Registration at 8:00AM Each Day
Continental Breakfast and Lunch are provided Friday and Saturday.

The course will be a two day review, with the actual Fellowship Exam offered on Sunday. The Fellowship Exam may be taken at any time during Pre-Fellowship, including New Graduates (once 90 days have passed after graduation from dental school) and either before, after or while working towards completion of the required 500 CE hours.

The Fellowship Exam Fee is a separate fee from the meeting registration fee. The cost to take the exam is $450. Please note that members who sign up to take the exam will need to submit an application, along with the $450 fee to National Headquarters, prior to sitting for the exam. Should you choose to purchase the study guide, VAGD will reimburse you for this cost provided you show us a receipt of the purchase. For any additional questions please call our office at 804-320-8803.

Virginia AGD would like to welcome the following New Members who joined between May 2013 and July 2013.

Katerina Ashland, DMD — Lynchburg
Yodit Beyene, DDS — Alexandria
Neelam Dube, DDS — Reston
Adam Goldstein, DDS — Arlington
Sowmya Kanumilli, DMD — Ashburn
Ricky May, Jr., DDS — Salem
Saman Sepahi, DDS — Leesburg
Shima Shadman, DDS — Vienna
James Willis, DDS — Crozet
Luis Yaqui, DDS — Stafford
Tingting Zhu, DMD — Fairfax

VAGD CE Registration Form
*To be eligible for Early Bird Rates, you must register 30 days prior to your desired course.*

Cancellation and Refund Policy for All CE Courses:
Must be in writing. Refunds up to two weeks prior to the course. $35 processing fee up to two weeks prior to the course. No refunds within 72 hours of course.

Name __________________________
Tel # ___________________ AGD # _____________________
Address _____________________________
City __________________ State _____ Zip ________
Email _____________________________

Fees: Early Late Registration
Courses 5 & 6, Dr. Tanaka and Brady
VAGD Member $99 $149
Non AGD $269 $319
Staff/Resident $ 99 $129
Student $ 49 $ 49

Course 7, ACLS Re-Cert
VAGD Member $350 $400
Non AGD $375 $425

Course 8, Sedation Update
VAGD Member $525 $575
Non AGD $550 $600

Course 9, MasterTrack Program $1,295 / $1,695
Course 10, Fellowship Review $450.00

I would like to attend course #’s __________________
Total Amount Enclosed ____________________

Return with check payable to: VAGD, c/o Victoria Fahrenkrog, 989 Laurel Glen, Charlottesville, VA 22903, or Charge to □ VISA □ MCard □ AMEX # ____________________ Exp ____ Sec Code ____

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Dr. Justin Norbo is a native of Loudoun County Virginia. He attended Hampden-Sydney College where he earned a B.S. degree in biology and then attended VCU/MCV School of Dentistry. Dr. Norbo now practices in his hometown of Purcellville, Virginia with his father, Dr. Kirk Norbo.

Dr. Norbo is the oldest of three brothers. His two younger brothers both attended Hampden-Sydney College. Kris, the middle brother, is now a senior dental student at VCU. Nate, the youngest brother, is an assistant lacrosse coach at Ferrum College. Having loved the college they attended, they all are active with alumni activities.

Dr. Norbo is married to Meredith Norbo. He and Meredith both attended the same high school growing up. They reconnected through one of his fraternity brothers and married in July of 2012. Meredith currently teaches kindergarten and also loves to play golf.

Dr. Norbo is very excited to be involved with the VAGD. He is dedicated to continuing education for the benefit of his patients and the profession. When he is not working, he enjoys fishing, doing leatherwork, and spending time with family.
Music!

As some of you may know, although I’m known as a dentist, I’m actually an aspiring musician. I like to sing and strum my guitar, and although I’m a rock-n-roller, I appreciate almost all types of music – classical, folk, opera, Christian rock, and yes – country. Our AGD annual meeting was held in Nashville, Tennessee this past June – the recognized home of country music – and as they call it, Music City.

The theme was “Tune Up in Nashville” and I believe that everyone in attendance “tuned up” in some fashion. The meeting showcased the finest speakers, the best hands-on workshops, a visit by Congressman Dr. Paul Gosar (one of only two dentist representatives on Capitol Hill), and an exciting presentation by Dr. William Bass on Life as a Forensic Anthropologist. As with all AGD annual meetings, CE was the main focus.

Our Region 5 caucus, once again, was very lively and often had feisty discussions concerning the resolutions that would be voted upon at the House of Delegates sessions. We were delighted to honor Dr. Jeff Cole, the AGD President from our own Region 5, for his outstanding and successful year with an exciting fishing trip gift.

Please thank all of your Virginia delegation who gave of their own time to represent and advocate for you – Drs. Danielle Ryan, Cheryl Billingsley, Theresa Shannon, Sarah Kandrac Wilson, Jenni Bobbio, Stuart Broth, Michael Gorman, and Gregory Bowles. Your Virginia AGD leaders, including former trustee Dr. Ted Sherwin and former AGD president Dr. Bruce DeGinder, are outstanding and very dedicated.

Now for the music part of this report: Access to care issue is always the main topic everywhere we go. In Nashville, dentistry (with a very strong AGD influence) has approached that issue with their Interfaith Dental Clinics. The mission of the Interfaith Dental Clinics is to restore, protect, and improve the oral health of uninsured, low-income, working people, their children and the elderly in Middle Tennessee through access to affordable quality dental care, oral disease prevention services, and oral health education. On Saturday evening, the AGD sponsored a concert with all proceeds going to the Interfaith Dental Clinics. It was titled: An Evening with Friends: Something to Smile About! The concert was a huge success and featured musical guests: T.G. Sheppard, Tim Nichols, Kelly Lang, James Dean Hicks, Rob Crosby and Brinn Black! And the concert was at the magnificent Ryman Auditorium – the original home of the Grand Ole Opry. It was a fun evening with smiles for everyone.

I recommend that you start planning for next year’s annual meeting in Detroit – the Motor City where you can “Rev Up Your Education With High-Octane CE!” The dates are June 26-29, 2014 at the Cobo Center. Some of the excellent speakers already lined up are: Drs. John Kois, Carl Misch and Ron Jackson.

And speaking of Music – Detroit is also the home of Motown, and I’m sure the sounds of rock-n-roll will be everywhere!

John Drumm, DMD
Region 5 Regional Director
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Virginia Academy of General Dentistry
2013 Continuing Education Calendar

Sept. 20  VAGD Member Breakfast, The Homestead, Hot Springs, VA
Oct 4-6  MasterTrack Series Reston, VA
18     ACLS Re-Certification (4 CE Hrs.)/Sedation Update (4 CE Hrs.)
Nov 8-9  VAGD Annual Meeting & Colonial Conference, The Boar’s Head Inn, Charlottesville, VA
15-17   Fellowship Review Course & Exam (16 CE Hrs), Richmond, VA

2014 Continuing Education Calendar (planning underway)

Jan. 24  Xana Winans, “From First Call to Closing the Case: Comprehensive Dental Marketing” (6 CE Hrs), Richmond, VA
Mar. 7-8 Robert Convissar, DDS, FAGD “Participation Course in Laser Dentistry” (12 CE Hrs), Richmond, VA
Apr. 4   Joe Camp, DDS, PA – Topic TBA, (7 CE Hrs), Reston, VA
May 16  Kaneta Lott, DDS “Fun & Profitable Pediatric Dentistry” (6 CE Hrs) Richmond, VA
Nov 7-8  VAGD Annual Meeting & Colonial Conference, The Westin, Richmond, VA

Jose-Luis Ruiz, DDS, FAGD – Topic TBA, (7 CE Hrs) Richmond, VA