



# The Whole Tooth



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## *Calendar*

### **Must See CE**

Occlusion  
8 CE Participation  
Hours  
May 3, 2013

Oral Surgery for GP  
8 CE Participation  
Hours  
May 4, 2013

Infection Control  
Chemical Dependency  
9 CE Lecture Hours  
June, 2013

### **AzAGD Board Meetings**

(AzDA Building)  
February 5

March 7th- *Dinner Meeting and Elections*  
*Location TBA*

*Members are welcome!*  
*Email arizonaagd@cox.net if interested*

**AGD 2013**  
**Nashville, TN**  
**June 27-30th**



## 2012 AGD LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE CHICAGO, IL STUDENT-

REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:

*Katherine McConnell*  
*Midwestern School of Dental Medicine*

The Academy of General Dentistry held the 2012 Leadership Conference from November 15th to November 17th in Chicago. Attending this conference was probably the most motivating experience I have had with the AGD, and I would recommend it for everyone. The course taught basic business and marketing skills applicable to everyday life and to aid in the advancement of the mission of the AGD.

Beyond the materials and great lectures, I was able to make connections with fellow students involved in the AGD, enthusiastic dentists, and even the President of the AGD, Dr. Jeffery M. Cole. Through my interactions with people, I have gained knowledge, ideas to bring to the AGD at school, and I have made great friends.

Since the conference, the MWU AGD has had its first strategic planning session inspired by the conference. Our long-term goals include increasing student leaders and providing more learning opportunities. We are currently in the process of making a Facebook page and we are now offering free CE to students in the AGD during our lunch lectures. We are lucky to have a passionate board committed to learning and furthering the AGD mission. The AGD Leadership conference in Chicago has been an amazing opportunity for me to meet dentists, learn, and develop strategies that would allow me to be a better leader. I look forward to many other great opportunities with the AGD.

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**Welcome New Members (Page 4)**

*A Message from your AzAGD President  
Walter Rapacz, DDS, FAGD*

I trust everyone has had a good holiday season and that the past year was better than the one before and you have plans to make 2013 better!

During the holidays we always think of ways to give back, but what we have to remember is, that you can carry that same good feeling of helping those less fortunate throughout the year, and not only during the holidays.

Congrats to all who participated in the AzMOM's program! What a wonderful gift of giving in this holiday season. The good feel of helping out to those less fortunate than us is a true reward unto itself. And don't forget, we have a number of clinics that help out year round that could do more if they had the personnel. Consider volunteering your time once a month, a half day a month, whatever you can do.

This March we will be having our dinner meeting at which time Dr Rick Holley will be taking over as President of the Arizona constituent. Consider attending this evening and getting involved with your AGD. We are always looking for members to help out and bring their ideas and talents to make this a better organization. In planning or strategizing your year, the AGD provides continuing education courses.

This June, the AzAGD is holding our annual Drug and Infection Control course. All those in need of hours in this category for their license renewal, or just want to continue to update their knowledge, this class will be available. For further info you can call or email Corrina at [arizonaagd@cox.net](mailto:arizonaagd@cox.net) for the tentative dates and cost.

Our Master Track program continues onward, just completing their ortho segment. Presentations done by the individuals in the group on their esthetics assignment were very well done. Kudos for a job well done!

Our National meeting will be in Nashville this year, June 27-30. Consider attending this great meeting for all the CE you could ask for and a great time in this entertaining city.

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*Walter Rapacz, DDS, FAGD*

*Arizona AGD at AzMOM  
Doug Beischel, DDS  
AzAGD MasterTrack Chairperson*

2012 Mission of Mercy

It was great to see so many AGD members helping out at the recent AzMOM event. For those of you that missed it, the Central Arizona Dental Society Foundation hosted this event to provide free dental services to Arizonians in need. 300 Dentist volunteers and 1500 volunteers took time out of their week December 7-8 to help out. I pulled the following stats out of Inscriptions; 1659 patients were treated, 1769 hygiene procedures, 1195 restorations, 81 root canals, 2448 extractions, 118 acrylic partials and or repairs, and an amazing \$1,280,000.00 of dental treatment provided. I was asked to be a "lead" for Dental Triage approximately a year ago. Patients waited outside for as long as two days (overnight in these cases) to be seen.

After an initial screening and evaluation by medical staff, patients arrived in our triage area where we discussed and evaluated patient's chief complaints and reason for showing up at the event. We attempted to give each patient two forty- five minute appointments in any of the following areas: restorative/operative, oral surgery, endo, pedo, prosth or hygiene. From triage we ordered diagnostic radiographs, and patients moved down the line to be imaged and then shepherded into their perspective areas. In helping to fill out the triage roster, I contacted several AGD colleagues. I am personally grateful to those AGD members that signed up to help make my little part of the overall picture run smoothly and efficiently.

Overall, it was an outstanding effort by everyone involved. As with any undertaking of this magnitude there were a couple off hiccups, but these were absolutely miniscule in the scope of the overall project. I know that the Foundation is once again hoping to do this in 2013 and it is my hope that we will again have great turnout from our AGD dentists.

I encourage those AGD members that missed the 2012 event to keep your eyes and ears open to the 2013 MOM event, now being planned. I will be certain to provide information on our AGD newsletter regarding this. Please feel free to contact me personally if you would like any further information regarding this or help with signing up next year, when the call arises.

*Arizona Mission of Mercy 2012  
Thank you to al AGD Members that  
Volunteered!*



# WELCOME

PLEASE HELP ME WELCOME  
OUR NEW MEMBERS  
FOR THE 4TH QUARTER  
JULY THROUGH DECEMBER.

Mr. Behnam Darvishan

Join Date: 12/27/2012

Dr. Aaron M. Jeziorski, DMD

Join Date: 12/27/2012

America Nazar

Join Date: 12/28/2012

Spendlove A. Niklaus

Join Date: 12/28/2012

Mr. Nicholas Shuff

Join Date: 12/27/2012

Ms. Alliaon H. Van Der Velden

Join Date: 12/28/2012

Ms. Kaycee C. Walton

Join Date: 12/28/2012

Ms. Shazia Khattak

Join Date: 12/19/2012

Dr. Caroline S. Ogunware, DDS

Join Date: 12/5/2012

Ms. Natalie R. Saldivar

Join Date: 12/5/2012

Dr. Lindsay M. Goss, DMD

Join Date: 11/27/2012

Mr. Allen J. Davis

Join Date: 11/20/2012

Mr. Yeri L. Guak

Join Date: 11/20/2012

Ms. Kristina N. Wilson

Join Date: 11/20/2012

Mr. Steven J. Bacalar

Join Date: 11/15/2012

Ms. Jessica L. Giles

Join Date: 11/14/2012

Mr. Seth J. Kiasko

Join Date: 11/15/2012

Mr. Sandra V. Leedy

Join Date: 11/15/2012

Kyle C. Miller

Join Date: 11/15/2012

Mr. Andrew J. Newman

Join Date: 11/15/2012

Mr. Kyla M. Olson

Join Date: 11/15/2012

Dr. Thomas H. Jones, DDS

Join Date: 11/8/2012

Mr. Edmund P. Monsef

Join Date: 11/9/2012

Dr. Devin T. Matsumori, DDS