



Illinois Society Of Periodontists News

President's Address

IN THE NEWSLETTER SENT OUR THIS FALL, I CHALLENGED OUR MEMBERSHIP ON SEVERAL LEVELS. IT HAS BEEN A GREAT YEAR FOR THE ISOP AND MY TERM OF PRESIDENCY IS ALMOST OVER. SO.....**HAVE YOU PLAYED LIKE A CHAMPION OR DID YOU JUST SIT ON THE SIDELINES? ARE YOU STILL UPSET BECAUSE YOUR CHEESE HAS BEEN MOVED OR HAVE YOU DECIDED TO REACT TO CHANGE ACCORDING TO YOUR OWN VISION?**



DR. GEORGE MANDELARIS
2012-2013 ISOP PRESIDENT

RECOGNIZING THAT CHANGE IS INEVITABLE, THE ISOP HAS ATTEMPTED TO EXPAND OUR OUTREACH BY INCORPORATING AN ADDITIONAL SEMINAR FOCUSED ON COLLABORATION WITH OUR RESTORATIVE DENTISTS AND HYGIENISTS. THIS YEAR, THE GOAL WAS TO EDUCATE OUR REFERRAL BASE WITH HOW THE CONTEMPORARY PERIODONTIST COLLABORATES WITH THE RESTORATIVE OFFICE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THE PERIODONTITIS PATIENT. IN JANUARY, WE HOSTED DR. BRIAN MEALEY, WHO SPOKE ON "PERIODONTITIS--WHAT ARE YOU TELLING YOUR PATIENTS?". MEMBERS WERE ENCOURAGED TO BRING REFERRAL COLLEAGUES OR HYGIENISTS. OUR FIRST GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE 2012-2013 YEAR FEATURED DR. GIOVANNI ZUCHELLI AND WAS WELL RECEIVED. WE HAD GREAT FEEDBACK ON HIS PRESENTATION OF MUCOGINGIVAL SURGERY AND OUR ATTENDANCE WAS EXCEPTIONAL. THIS APRIL WE ARE LOOKING TO CLOSE OUT THE YEAR WITH ARGUABLY ONE OF THE GREAT MINDS IN OUR SPECIALTY, DR. MAURIZIO TONETTI. ADDITIONALLY, THE ISOP OFFERED A DAY OF ACLS CERTIFICATION BECAUSE MORE OF US ARE PERFORMING IN-OFFICE IV CONSCIOUS SEDATION AND REQUIRE CERTIFICATION EVERY 2 YEARS. ON A POLITICAL FRONT, WE SUPPORTED THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF DENTAL ANESTHESIOLOGISTS FOR SPECIALTY RECOGNITION AS WELL AS WROTE A LETTER TO GOVERNOR QUINN ACKNOWLEDGING SUPPORT AND THANKS FOR HIS PROCLAMATION OF GUM DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH (FEBRUARY). THE LETTER TO GOVERNOR QUINN ALSO ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR SPECIALTY CARE AND RECOGNITION OF PERIODONTISTS IN THE MANAGEMENT OF PATIENTS WITH PERIODONTAL DISEASE. OUR WEBSITE CONTINUES TO BE UPDATED ON A TIMELY

BASIS AND OUR PRESENCE AS AN ORGANIZATION WAS RECOGNIZED ON A NATIONAL LEVEL THIS YEAR. MR JOHN FORBES, THE CURRENT AAP EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ATTENDED OUR FALL SESSION AS WELL AS OUR MIDWINTER MEETING WHERE THE CURRENT AAP PRESIDENT, DR. NANCY NEWHOUSE, SPOKE TO THE ISOP MEMBERSHIP. IN ADDITION, DR. STU FROUM (AAP PRESIDENT-ELECT) & JOAN OTOMO-CORGEL (AAP VICE-PRESIDENT) WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE. A NUMBER OF MATTERS WERE ADDRESSED, SEVERAL QUITE DISTURBING AS THEY HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO GREATLY IMPACT THE FUTURE OF OUR PROFESSION. EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS FOR PERIODONTICS WERE ULTIMATELY A VICTORY FOR US AT THE COUNCIL ON DENTAL ACCREDITATION (CODA) MEETING IN FEBRUARY, BUT OUR STANDARDS WERE HEAVILY CONTESTED BY COLLEAGUES WHO DO NOT FEEL THAT CERTAIN AREAS ARE WITHIN OUR SCOPE OF PRACTICE (SUCH AS THE PROVISIONALIZATION OF DENTAL IMPLANTS).

RATHER THAN FOCUS ON NEGATIVE MATTERS, MANY OF WHICH ARE BEYOND INDIVIDUAL CONTROL, I WANT TO FOCUS MY FINAL MESSAGE ON A PATH THAT I BELIEVE WE SHOULD BE STRIVING FOR. A MESSAGE WHICH ALL OF US HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTROL. A QUALITY THAT ONCE OTHERS IDENTIFY US WITH, CAN NEVER BE CHALLENGED. LET'S USE THIS TIME AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO STRENGTHEN OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR GENERAL DENTIST COLLEAGUES. I UNDERSTAND THAT, TO SOME EXTENT, OUR "CHEESE HAS BEEN MOVED", BUT SINCE WE ALL NEED TO REACT WITH CHANGE IN ORDER TO SURVIVE, LET'S BEGIN WITH HOW WE MIGHT "BE".

MANY OF US CLAIM TO "BE EXCELLENT" OR HAVE "A PRACTICE COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE". BUT HAVE WE EVER EVALUATED WHAT EXCELLENCE IS, HOW IS IT MEASURED, HOW IT IS ACHIEVED, AND HOW OUR REFERRAL COLLEAGUES CONSIDER WHAT OR WHO IS EXCELLENT? IS THIS REALLY THE ADJECTIVE WE WANT TO BE DESCRIBED BY? I WOULD SUBMIT THAT EXCELLENCE IS SIMPLY A DOT ON THE MAP, A POSITION THAT WILL NOT ENDURE AND A QUEST THAT HAS AN END POINT. "EXCELLENT" IS NOT SUSTAINABLE FOR THE FUTURE OF SPECIALTY PRACTICE SUCCESS, IN MY HUMBLE OPINION. RATHER, SHOULDN'T WE STRIVE TO BECOME ELITE?

TO ME, ELITE IMPLIES A FAR REACHING STANDARD. IT IS A COUNTLESS DRUMBEAT AND A RELENTLESS PURSUIT. IF EACH OF US STRIVES TO BE ELITE, THE SUSTAINABILITY OF OUR PROFESSION WILL NEVER BE IN QUESTION. PERIODONTICS WILL ALWAYS BE IN DEMAND AND HIGHLY

Being Elite

SOUGHT AFTER BY COLLEAGUES AND THE PUBLIC AT LARGE.

WHEN I REFLECT ON THE DEFINITION OF ELITE AND CONSIDER THE PEOPLE WHO PERSONIFY THIS DEFINITION TO ME, 5 CHARACTERISTICS COME TO MIND: (1) THEY ARE BALANCED. ELITE PEOPLE ARE FEARLESS IN THEIR BELIEFS AND ACTIONS, BUT ARE TEMPERED BY MODERATION. (2) ELITE PEOPLE ARE CURIOUS AND THEY MAINTAIN A LEVEL OF INTELLECTUAL CURIOSITY THROUGHOUT THEIR CAREER. THIS QUEST FOR KNOWLEDGE IS NEVER-ENDING AND ENHANCES THEIR ABILITY TO ACHIEVE AT A HIGHER LEVEL. (3) ELITE PEOPLE ARE TRIBAL. IN ORDER TO DO GREAT THINGS AND MAKE CHANGE THAT HAS AN AFFECT ON A GRAND SCALE, THEY NEED OTHERS TO ACCOMPLISH THEIR GOALS. WITHOUT MEANINGFUL COLLABORATION, THEY WILL FALL SHORT. ELITE PEOPLE ARE TRIBAL OUT OF NECESSITY. LIKE THE U.S. NAVY SEALS MOTTO: TWO IS ONE, AND ONE IS NONE. (4) ELITE PEOPLE KNOW WHY THEY DO WHAT THEY DO AND WHY THEY ARE THERE. CERTAINLY, LUCK AND ATTRITION PLAY A ROLE IN WHO IS ACTUALLY WILLING AND CAPABLE OF GOING THE DISTANCE ON A DAILY BASIS TO BECOME ELITE. (5) ELITE PEOPLE SHARE PAIN AND PREACH FROM THEIR SCARS. THEY SIMPLY GET THINGS DONE. THEY ARE FORTHCOMING WITH THEIR FAULTS AND THROUGH THESE FAULTS, UNDERSTAND THEIR INFLUENCE. THEY EXEMPLIFY THE HIGHEST WHY.

SHOULDN'T THIS BE OUR QUEST AS PERIODONTISTS? AREN'T THESE THE CORE VALUES THAT OUR PROFESSION WAS FOUNDED UPON? I BELIEVE SO AND I BELIEVE THE ISOP HAS CONTINUED TO WALK DOWN THIS PATH IN WHAT WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED...AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO TO ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF OUR SPECIALTY AND ITS MEMBERSHIP.

MY CHALLENGE TO THE MEMBERSHIP EXPANDS: GET OFF THE SIDELINES AND PLAY LIKE A CHAMPION-- EVERYDAY. LET GO OF EXCELLENCE AS YOUR BENCHMARK AND STRIVE TO BECOME ELITE.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD MEMBERS, I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE APRIL 26, 2013 SEMINAR. ON A PERSONAL NOTE, I APPRECIATE AND HAVE BEEN HONORED TO HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THE MEMBERSHIP THIS YEAR AS YOUR PRESIDENT. I HOPE THAT I PUT FORTH AN ELITE YEAR!

SINCERELY,

GEORGE A. MANDELARIS, DDS, MS
PRESIDENT, IL SOCIETY OF PERIODONTISTS

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The Political Corner

State and Regional Assembly Matters (SRA) By: Dr. Roger Nouneh; ISOP representative (rnouneh@yahoo.com)

The ISOP representative for state and regional assembly affairs is Dr. Roger Nouneh. The topics to report include:

1. Dental anesthesiology failed to reach enough votes and failed to be recognized as a dental specialty by the ADA, despite support from the AAP and ISOP.
2. Governor Quinn proclaimed February as "Gum Disease Awareness" month. The ISOP wrote a letter to the Governor's office thanking this recognition and highlighting our specialty and our unique qualifications for managing patients with periodontitis.
3. There is legislation to allow dentists to administer vaccines in their office, should they choose to do so.
4. The Illinois State Dental Society is in favor of eliminating the need for a specialty exam to issue a specialty license. Essentially, this will allow any new graduate from a CODA accredited specialty program to obtain a dental specialty license in Illinois without further requirement. Currently, there is no opposition to the measure from other dental specialties.

News from the American Academy of Periodontology

Illinois falls under District 4. We have 3 representatives in our district, two of which are local to IL: Dr. Greg Fauth (Aurora, IL) and Dr. Tim Walsh (Berwyn, IL).

Current matters pertinent from the AAP include:

1. A public relations firm, Landmark 360, has been hired and is getting our information published in many places ranging from magazines such as *Women's Day* to online sites like *Dr.Bicuspid.com*.
2. Articles authored by periodontists are being published quarterly in *Dimensions*, the ADHA journal, and we are partners in the *Healthy Mouths, Healthy Lives* ad council campaign
3. The AAP is in the process of identifying a public relations firm to work with in starting a direct-to-consumer outreach and awareness campaign.
4. The AAP is working with Colgate and the ADHA to bring a program for early detection of periodontal disease into the general dentist's office utilizing a new "Red Score" tool that is currently being developed as a screening measure.
5. After a long contested process, CODA has accepted our standards as proposed which includes conscious sedation and provisionalization of implants.
6. A workshop on Periodontal Regeneration and Tissue Regeneration is being planned.
7. Peri-Implantitis is the topic for this year's AAP spring conference. A white paper on diagnosis has been written and will be expanded to include treatment.
8. The AADMR have issued a position paper recommending that a CBCT be done for all implant placement. This was voted down as the position within the AAP.
9. The proposed ADA Guidelines for dental radiographs have become a concern as the guidelines for patients with a history of periodontitis do not include making a full mouth series of radiographs on a regular interval to monitor disease activity.
10. Lastly, two district 4 seats need to be filled to replace outgoing trustees, Drs. Bill Sorensen and Greg Fauth. Candidates include: Drs. Jeff Johnston (MI), Angelo Mariotti (OH), Stephen Meraw (MI), and our own ISOP past president **Kirk Noraian (IL)**.
11. The former UIC graduate periodontics program director, Dr. Joe Califano, is on the ballot for the Director of the American Board of Periodontology.

Illinois Periodontists with Special Citations, Publications or Recognition

1. Dr. Roger Nouneh presented on behalf of the ISOP at the 2013 CDS meeting. His topic was Periodontics! Application of Treatment Modalities for the General Practice.
1. Dr. George Mandelaris & Dr. Alan Rosenfeld have a novel article classifying dentoalveolar bone phenotypes which will be published in the June edition of IJPRD
2. Dr. Ken Krebs was honored by the ISOP and the MSP during the midwinter meeting for his decades of dedicated service and leadership to our profession.
3. Dr. Tricia Crosby will be an examiner for part II of the 2013 American Board of Periodontology certification process.
4. Dr. Greg Fauth's term will come to an end this year as our long-running District 4 AAP trustee. Greg has worked tirelessly for our district over many years and we owe him a debt of gratitude for his representation of our district at the national level. Thank you Greg! Dr. Fauth has now transitioned to the Executive Director of the Midwest Society of Periodontists.

*** If you have been recognized or have any special contributions affecting the profession, let the ISOP know so we can share it with the membership. Simply send an email to Dr. Mandelaris at GMandelari@aol.com with the qualifying information.*

THANK—YOU Dr. Krebs !!

At the Midwest Society of Periodontology's annual meeting this year, the ISOP honored Dr. Ken Krebs with a Lifetime Achievement Award. Dr. Krebs was honored for his years of service to our specialty and for representing Illinois periodontists at the highest level. As most of you are aware, Ken has been a past president of the AAP and the Executive Director of the MSP for many years. He has led by example and has had a career with distinction. Thank you Ken for all you have done for our specialty.





UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, April 26, 2013 – All Day Program

Dr. Maurizio Tonetti – The Changing Role of the Periodontist

Breakfast, Lunch and Intermission Snacks provided.

- 7:30 am Registration/Continental Breakfast
- 8:00am Lecture
- 10:00 am Break
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm Lecture
- 2:30 pm Break
- 4:00 pm Adjournment

Doubletree Hotel Oak Brook– 1909 Spring Road Oak Brook, IL

**** A block of rooms will be made available for those needing overnight accommodations****

To register, please use the form below.

ISOP April 26, 2013 All Day Program Registration Form



Name: _____

Address: _____

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Free of Charge with
Paid 2012 Dues of \$150.00

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