PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Carl M. Allen
DDS, MSD

Basking in the warmth of Charleston’s sunshine and sea breezes is not what I’m doing now, believe me. Snowflakes drifting down from the steel-gray Ohio January sky serve as harsh reminders that we’ve got a few (very few, hopefully!) weeks of unpleasant weather ahead of us (for some of us, anyway). All the more of a stimulus to get registered for the meeting in Charleston, one of the most refined, artistic, historic, and culinary destinations in this country.

What has been going on since our last communication? The marketing survey results, compiled from 96 respondents, show what essentially amounts to overwhelming support for the idea that we need to make ourselves known. Over 85% of the respondents to the survey indicated that they “agreed” or “strongly agreed” with the concept of the Academy becoming very involved in marketing our specialty. And 87% of the respondents similarly indicated that the clinical aspects of oral and maxillofacial pathology should be an integral component of the marketing campaign. With respect to the marketing campaign having the goals of creating jobs at academic and major medical centers, 77% and 66%, respectively, are in agreement with this strategy. Marketing of our services to otolaryngology and dermatology was felt to be an important component by 77% of the respondents.

Nevertheless, this venture is not something into which we are entering lightly. Currently we have a Request for Proposals circulating to selected marketing firms who have experience in the health care arena. Their responses to the RFP will be examined by Council, and the top two companies will be invited to present their strategies at the meeting. Because this will probably entail a considerable financial investment, before any commitment is made, the matter will be brought before the Fellowship for a vote. Even with the caveat regarding the costs, 64% of the respondents to the survey indicated their willingness to voluntarily contribute additional monies above and beyond their dues in order to support marketing efforts. I feel that this testimony to the respect, commitment and loyalty that our members feel for this specialty of oral and maxillofacial pathology. Remember, we may not know everything about oral disease, but we’re way ahead of whoever’s in second place.
ABOUT CHARLESTON AND THE MILLS HOUSE HOTEL

In many ways, visiting Charleston is like stepping back in time. Though it’s a surprisingly modern city, Charleston’s biggest draw is the past. Explore the city’s many antebellum homes, historic churches, Civil War sites and sprawling plantations.

Second only to the sights and history of Charleston is shopping. The streets are filled with small shops in historic buildings. The majority of the shopping is located in two areas a few blocks apart. The first is along King Street around the old Market. The market is filled with vendors selling the local art, foods, books, baskets, clothing and souvenirs.

The deadline for the block of rooms reserved by AAOMP is Thursday, April 15, 2004. All rooms not secured with a one night’s deposit will be released. Reservation requests made after the cut-off date will be subject to availability at the time of the request. AAOMP has secured rates of $219 for single/double rooms - Please mention AAOMP when making reservations. Call the Mills House Hotel to reserve your room at:

Mills House Hotel
115 Meeting Street
Charleston, SC 29401
Telephone: 843-577-2400  Toll-Free: 800-874-9600  Fax: 843-722-0623
http://www.millshouse.com

GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION
Individuals are encouraged to register by mail as soon as possible to avoid delays on-site. Registration forms postmarked on or after April 9, 2004 and individuals registering on-site will be charged an additional $25.00 fee. A registration fee for spouses attending the meeting is being charged to offset a portion of the cost of the services which the academy provides them. You must register to attend any portion of the meeting. To register, fill out the registration form, (available on the website) attach your payment in U.S. funds to American Academy of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology (AAOMP), and mail both to:

AAOMP
710 E. Ogden Avenue, Suite 600
Naperville, Illinois 60563-8614 U.S.A.
Toll Free: 888/552-2667 or 630/579-3252

Additional Office Information
Fax: 630/369-2488, Email: aaomp@b-online.com

MICROSCOPES AVAILABLE
Microscopes will be available for slide review and informal consultations in the CCA/Speaker Ready Room.
## CHARLESTON SCHEDULE

### Friday, May 7
- 9:00 am: Executive Council Meeting

### Saturday, May 8
- 8:00 - 5:00 pm: Fellowship Exam
- 8:00 - 5:00 pm: Fellowship Committee
- 8:30 - 11:30 am: CE #1 25th Annual AFIP Seminar
- 1:00 - 5:00 pm: Symposium

### Sunday, May 9
- 8:30 - 11:30 am: CE #2 - Dr. Najjar
- CE #3 - Dr. Rees
- CE #4 - Dr. Camisa
- 2:00 - 5:00 pm: CE #5 - Dr. Hood
- CE #6 - Dr. Arendt/Bernstein
- CE #7 - Dr. Gnepp
- 6:00 - 7:30 pm: Welcome Reception

### Monday, May 10
- 7:00 - 8:00 am: Editor’s Breakfast
- 7:00 - 8:00 am: Iowa Breakfast
- 7:00 - 8:00 am: Navy Breakfast
- 8:00 - 12:30 pm: Dr. Gorlin Lecture
- 12:00 - 1:00 pm: Program Director’s Lunch
- 12:30 - 1:30 pm: Army & Air Force Luncheons
- 2:00 - 5:00 pm: Fellows’ Business Meeting
- 3:00 - 4:30 pm: Spouses’ Reception
- 5:00 - 6:30 pm: Indiana Reception
- 6:00 - 7:30 pm: Emory Reception
- 9:00 - 10:30 pm: Residents’ Reception

### Tuesday, May 11
- 7:00 - 8:00 am: Education Committee Breakfast
- 8:00 - 11:30 am: Founder’s Memorial Seminar
- 11:30 - 1:00 pm: Past President’s Lunch
- 1:00 - 5:30 pm: Essay I & II
- 6:00 - 9:00 pm: President’s Reception & Banquet

### Wednesday, May 12
- 9:00 - 11:00 am: Clinical Pathology Conference

## 2004 CONTINUED COMPETENCY ASSURANCE PROGRAM (3 credits)

The Academy is once again sponsoring a Continued Competency Assurance program (CCA). The registration fee for members is $50 and $65 for non-members should be included with your registration form. In the past, the CCA was available for Diplomates only, but on a trial basis, it will be offered to all AAOMP members at the Charleston meeting in 2004.

The AAOMP CCA is in a self-assessment format. Upon arriving at the meeting, participants should pick up their CCA packet from the registration desk. Each packet will contain self-assessment questions relevant to the CCA materials provided at the meeting along with an AAOMP CCA Participation Document.

The CCA cases will be available for review in the microscope room. See the Schedule at a Glance for times and location. The cases are individually packaged with appropriate histories, clinical photographs, radiographs and glass slides. Each of the 20 cases should be reviewed individually and completely and returned to their container. Upon completion of the CCA, each registrant should return the Participation Document to the registration desk. At that time, the diagnoses, discussion and references will be supplied for all cases presented.

The American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology will be provided with the list of completed participants.

## ABSTRACTS

Abstracts are available to review on the website at www.aaomp.org

If you need a hard copy, please contact the office.
MEETING PROGRAM AND SCHEDULE

Friday, May 7, 2004

9:00 am
Executive Council Meeting

Saturday, May 8, 2004

8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Fellowship Examination and Fellowship Committee Meeting

8:30 am -11:30 am
CE Program #1 (3 credits)
25th Annual AFIP Seminar

Esther L.B. Childers, COL, DC, USA
Robert D. Foss, CAPT, DC, USN
Kevin R. Torske, LCDR, DC, USN
Stephen B. Williams, COL, DC, USA
AFIP Alumus Speaker -
    James C. Adrian, DDS, MS

Ten challenging surgical pathology cases will be presented. The AFIP diagnosis for each will be offered and discussed in the context of the attendees’ diagnoses. The Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, in conjunction with the American Registry of Pathology, is an international reference center for pathology. An act of the United States Congress authorizes this Department of Defense agency and its 23 departments to render consultative opinions on challenging and interesting cases from military, federal, and civilian pathologists worldwide. The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology maintains over 60,000 cases in the Registry of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology.

Microscopic slides of the cases to be presented will be sent, in advance, to the first 50 registered participants. These do NOT have to be returned: however, we do ask that these 50 pathologist “pay” for their slide set by sending us their diagnoses for the cases. We use them as a framework for our discussions. All attendees will receive a handout containing histories, diagnoses, discussion and references. A CD that contains the handout material as well as a number of representative images of each case is available for purchase following the meeting.

Objectives:
1. To present rare, unusual, or challenging cases from the Registry of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology.
2. To discuss the development of a clinical and histopathologic differential diagnosis.
3. To provide the rationale for the design and use of adjunctive histopathologic, immunohistochemical, and molecular studies as deemed appropriate.

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Symposium (4 credits)
Lakshman (Sam) Samaranayake, BDS, DDS
FRCPath, FCDSHK, FHKCPath
“Oral Candida and Other Exotic Fungi: the Ominous Opportunists”

The advent of the human immunodeficiency virus infection and the increasing prevalence of compromised individuals in the community due to surgical and medical advances have resulted in a resurgence of oral candidial infections and, other rare mycoses which were once considered exotic.

Objectives:
1. This course will provide a comprehensive overview of the current developments and, the possible future directions related to the following features of Candida and the diseases they cause:
   A. the biology of Candida species including their virulence
   B. host factors mediating candidiasis
   C. classification of oral candidiasis
   D. clinical variants of oral candidiasis
   E. laboratory diagnosis including molecular tools
   F. antifungal agents: the old and the new and,
   G. exotic oral mycoses such as aspergillosis, cryptococcosis, histoplasmosis and mucormycosis.
Sunday, May 9, 2004

8:30 am - 11:30 am

**CE Program #2 (3 credits)**

Talib A. Najjar, DDS, MDS, PhD.

“**Innovation in Diagnostic and Therapeutic Modalities in Oral and Head and Neck Cancer**”

The contemporary advances in diagnosis and therapy of Oral and Head and Neck Cancer have a tremendous impact in patient survival. The oral and maxillofacial pathologists and surgeons take pride in playing an important role in improving the quality of life for these patients. This course intends to highlight the current and future innovation in the diagnostic and therapeutic modalities utilized in patients with Oral and Head and Neck Cancer.

**Objectives:**
This course will provide a comprehensive overview of the current contemporary diagnostic and therapeutic modalities including:

1. Radiographic studies such as xerography
2. Angiography’s and lymphography
3. Percutaneous fine-needle biopsy
4. Trephine and true-cut needle biopsy
5. Ultrasonography
6. Radionucleotid study
7. CT and MRI
8. Immunodiagnostic markers
9. Principles of cancer chemotherapy
10. Principles of cancer radiotherapy
11. Principles of cancer laser and surgical therapy
12. Principles of cancer oral and maxillofacial reconstruction to preserve esthetics and function.

8:30 am - 11:30 am

**CE Program #3 (3 credits)**

Terry D. Rees, DDS, MSD

“**Controversies in Oral medicine**”

In recent years numerous controversial issues have arisen regarding the recognition, diagnosis and management of some oral mucosal diseases and disorders. Although evidence based data is still lacking regarding several of these conditions, a growing amount of information suggests that these issues can be resolved to a reasonable degree and that patients can be successfully managed. In this seminar we will discuss the diagnosis and management of oral contact allergic reactions, drug induced muscosal diseases, a variety of muocutaneous diseases, xerostomia and burning mouth syndrome. The discussion will be based in part on data accumulated in the Stomatatology Center at Baylor College of Dentistry.

**Objectives:**
1. A working knowledge of diagnostic methods useful in identifying specific mucosal diseases.
2. An understanding of the possible relationship between mucosal diseases, underlying systemic diseases and the potential for malignant transformation.
3. Ability to successfully manage oral health in affected individuals.

8:30 am - 11:30 am

**CE Program #4 (3 credits)**

Charles Camisa, MD

“**Oral Dermatology for the Clinician**”

There is a significant amount of overlap between the fields of dermatology and oral medicine. This course will attempt to bridge the gap by clearly demonstrating the clinical features of dermatoses which occur with and without oral manifestations. The focus will be on using clinical clues in the differential diagnosis.

**The course will be divided into three segments:**
1. Common dermatoses of the head and neck region, e.g. lentigo maligna and seborrheic dermatitis.
2. Systemic diseases with both oral and skin manifestations e.g. pemphigus and pemphigoid.
3. Genodermatoses, e.g. nevoid basal cell carcinoma syndrome.

**Objectives:**
1. To be able to recognize the 10 most common dermatoses of the head and neck region.
2. To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis of immunobullous diseases.
3. To discuss the variety of and significance to health of extraoral manifestations of genodermatoses.
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
CE Program #5 (3 credits)
Antoinette Hood, MD
“A Primer of Dermatopathy for the Oral Pathologist: Tumors and Inflammatory Lesions of the Head and Neck”

10 cases of tumors and inflammatory lesions typically occurring on the head and neck region will be presented. These cases will be used as a springboard for discussion disorders of relevance to an oral pathologist and will include the following:

- Problematic melanocytic lesions
- Adnexal tumors
- Vascular and fibrous tumors, and
- Common inflammatory lesions biopsied for diagnostic purposes

Clinical-pathologic correlation will be emphasized. All attendees will receive glass slides. These glass slides must be returned at the meeting site.

Objectives:
1. At the end of this session the participant should be more comfortable with the terminology used by dermatopathologist
2. Recognize the histopathology of common cutaneous lesions on the head and neck
3. Be able to generate a differential diagnosis for tumors and inflammatory lesions.

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
CE Program #6 (3 credits)
Douglas M. Arendt, DDS, MS
Mark L. Bernstein, DDS
“CSI for the Forensic Odontologist”

The impact of 911 has thrust the role of the Forensic Odontologist and other disciplines into the public limelight. The contemporary nature of current forensic challenges, scientific advances and popularity in the press with regard to forensics, warrants development of a forensic update for our community. The course will develop a specific forensic theme or focus each year.

This module will focus on the role of the Oral Pathologist/Odontologist in the medico-legal arena. Specifically the goal is to explain how we as clinicians work up and use evidence in pattern injury analysis (e.g. bite marks or other instruments) that may render unique “injury patterns in the head & neck area. Our approach will be much like a CPC format utilizing clinical cases in which we will develop the key elements of a case, discuss the scientific approach / analysis and “bottom” line diagnosis or conclusion. In addition, we will provide an overview of the subject “abuse” in the US (spouse, child & elder), discuss the extent, impact on the health care system, resources for help and referral and our role in early clinical recognition of the clinical features diagnostic of abuse.

Objectives:
1. Understand the limitations as well as the advances the Odontologist employs in the medico-legal arena.
2. Gain awareness of the demographics, reporting obligations, support resources and clinical stigmata in diagnosing spouse, elder and child “abuse”

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
CE Program #7 (3 credits)
Douglas R. Gnepp, M.D.
“Salivary Gland Pathology: A Potpourri of Selected, Challenging and Unusual Lesions”

This workshop presents 10 examples of salivary gland pathology. Histologic variation, potential diagnostic pitfalls and differential diagnosis of unusual variations of common lesions as well as recently described entities will be emphasized. Immunocytochemistry and electron microscopy will be used to supplement selected cases. Several cases will serve as a point of departure for a broader discussion of related topics. Audience participation is encouraged.

This course is designed for residents and oral pathologists who would like an in depth review of challenging salivary gland pathology. Digital images of the entire H&E slide from each case will be available for participants to review before the conference (kindly provided by Bacus Laboratories, Inc.). In addition, a detailed handout will be provided.

Objectives:
Upon completion of the workshop, participants should be able to:
1. Recognize unusual histologic variations of more common salivary gland tumors.
2. Be more familiar with recently characterized salivary gland tumors.

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Welcome Reception

Monday, May 10, 2004

7:00 - 8:00 am
Editor’s Breakfast
Iowa Breakfast
Navy Breakfast

8:00 - 12:30 pm
Dr. Robert Gorlin
Special Lecture (4.5 credits)
“Syndromes, Syndromes, and More Syndromes”

This lecture will have discussion and illustration of:
A. Craniofacial Syndromes with Bony Involvement
B. Craniofacial Syndromes with Neoplastic Implications
C. Syndromes of Facial Clefting
D. Miscellaneous Craniofacial Syndromes

Objectives:
1. Learning some of the more interesting syndromes that involve the craniofacies
2. Familiarizing oneself with molecular aspects of these conditions.

12:00 - 1:00 pm
Program Director’s Lunch

12:30 - 1:30 pm
Army & Air Force Luncheons

2:00 - 5:00 pm
Fellows’ Business Meeting

3:00 - 4:30 pm
Spouses’ Reception

5:00 - 6:30 pm
Indiana Reception

6:00 - 7:30 pm
Emory Reception

9:00 - 10:30 pm
Resident’s Reception

Tuesday, May 11, 2004

7:00 - 8:00 am
Education Committee Breakfast

8:00 - 11:30 am
Founders’ Memorial Seminar (4 credits)
A. Neil Crowson, MD
“Melanocytic Proliferations of the Head and Neck and Their Mimics”

This three hour course will be focused upon melanocytic proliferations of the head and neck and their clinical and histopathologic mimics. Major emphasis will be upon skin neoplasms, but also considered will be conjunctival melanocytic proliferations and mucosal and paramucosal melanoma. Different subtypes of vertical growth phase melanoma and their histopathologic mimics will be considered. The course will use ten unknown cases for which digital images will be provided. These unknown cases will be used as a springboard to discussion of specific topics. In particular, consideration will be given to lentigines, melanocytoses, atypical nevi including in the context of combined nevi, cellular blue nevi and their differential diagnoses, the different subtypes of melanoma and the unusual or bizarre vertical growth phase characteristics of melanoma that prompt consideration of alternate, non-melanocytic differential diagnoses at the light microscopic level. Recent advances in our understanding of the biology and prognostic microstaging of melanoma will conclude the course.

Objectives:
1. Participants should become familiar with common benign and precancerous melanocytic neoplasms and melanocytoses, the subtypes of melanoma, specific subtypes of vertical growth phase melanoma and their histopathologic mimics,
2. Familiarity with the classification and approach to conjunctival melanocytic proliferations.

11:30 - 1:00 pm
Past President’s Luncheon

1:00 - 5:00 pm
Essay I and II (4.5 credits)

6:00 - 9:00 pm
President’s Reception and Banquet

Wednesday, May 12, 2004

9:00 - 11:00 am
Clinical Pathology Conference (2 credits)
IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Alan J. Drinnan

Dr. Alan Drinnan, SUNY Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus in the Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences of the School of Dental Medicine at the University at Buffalo died unexpectedly on January 8, 2004 at home. He was 71. Dr. Drinnan had been one of the key members of the UB faculty for over 40 years. Alan Drinnan grew up in Bristol, England and received both his dental and medical degrees from the University of Bristol. While still in England, he served as a Dental Officer in the British Army, ran a private dental practice, taught oral surgery on the faculty of the University of Bristol, and became a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England. Upon coming to Buffalo in 1962, he studied oral and maxillofacial pathology and was quickly recruited for the UB faculty on a full-time basis. He subsequently received his DDS degree from UB, completed a medical internship at the Buffalo General Hospital, became a Diplomate of the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, Chairman of the Department of Oral Medicine, Director of the Dental Department of the Buffalo General Hospital, and a U.S. citizen. In between these activities, Dr. Drinnan also found time to host regularly scheduled public affairs programs on WKBW-TV and WNED-TV, moderate several public policy debates and discussions on local television, serve on the Erie County Sheriff’s Scientific Staff, serve as President of the American and the International Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathologists and as a consultant to the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, World Health Organization, Federation Dentaire Internationale, American Dental Association, American Association of Dental Schools, Erie County Medical Examiner’s Office, and UB’s Public Radio Station WBFO. He was also a recognized authority in forensic dentistry, had sabbatical leaves in both Melbourne, Australia and Papua, New Guinea, and lectured in many countries on every continent in the world. Dr. Drinnan also began the Internet Bulletin Board for Oral Pathology (BBOP), which currently has 700 subscribers all over the world and serves as a clearinghouse for issues related to service, teaching and research in the area of Oral Pathology. As a result of his contributions, the State University of New York Board of Trustees promoted Dr. Drinnan to the rank of SUNY Distinguished Service Professor in 1994. In addition to these many achievements, Alan Drinnan was a musician, and was very well known for his outstanding ability as a speaker and teacher, as well as for his well honed ‘British’ sense of ‘humour.’ He is survived by his wife Rita, son Dr. Michael Drinnan, daughter-in-law Dr. Caroline Drinnan, daughter Julia Drinnan-Doran, son-in-law Tom Doran, sister Pamela Drinnan, and grandsons Andrew, Jonathan, Alex and Jake Drinnan.

Charles C. Thompson, DMD, MSD

May 4, 1935 - May 12, 2003

Charles (Chuck) Thompson, a Fellow of the American Academy of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology and a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology, died May 12, 2003 at a Portland, Oregon Hospital. He was born in Los Angeles, California and grew up in Olympia, Washington. He attended St. Martin’s College where he was on the Dean’s List and then attended the University of Oregon School of Dentistry. While at dental school he was in the US Navy Dental Corps Ensign program. He graduated in 1962 and commenced active duty with the US Navy. He was posted to Kodiak Island (1962-1964) where he was recognized for his efforts at Kodiak during the 1964 Alaskan Earthquake.

After discharge from active duty Chuck started a private practice in Salem, Oregon. He left private practice in 1966 in order to pursue residency training in Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology at Emory University where he received his M.S.D. in 1968. He was an Assistant Professor of Oral Diagnosis at the University of California at Los Angeles from 1968-1969. He then assumed a faculty position at the Oregon Health Sciences University where he taught and practiced his specialty of Oral Pathology for 27 years, retiring in 1996. While at OHSU, Chuck was director of the Oregon Tumor Registry, was engaged with the American Cancer Society, and lectured extensively to dentists, physicians, dental hygienists, operating room technicians, graduate students, explorer scouts, and others.

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Chuck is remembered by his students for his accessibility, down to earth advice, and cheerfulness. In addition he is remembered by his peers for his knowledge, collegiality, and pleasantness. He is remembered by his family for his extreme devotion, dedication, and love for others.

Norman H. Rickles  
**May 8, 1920 - September 23, 2003**

Norman Rickles died peacefully at his home in Portland, Oregon, after a 4-month long battle with pancreatic cancer. Dr. Rickles, a past president of the American Academy of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology (1962-63), graduated from Washington University School of Dentistry in 1947. His oral pathology training was at University of California, San Francisco (1951-52) and was followed by a Fellowship in Dental and Oral Pathology at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (1953-56). He was a Fellow of the Academy and a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral Pathology since 1956. He was on the faculty at the University of California and then took a position at the University of Oregon Dental School in 1956 where he was Professor and Chair for many years. He retired from teaching in 1985.

Though a man deeply committed to peace, he was a veteran of both World War II and the Korean War, serving in the dental corps during the later. In 1966 he was awarded a Fulbright professorship and taught at Hebrew University School of Dental Medicine in Jerusalem, Israel. Disregarding the advice of the US Consul to leave in June 1967, he chose to remain, in order to help care for the wounded at Hadassah Hospital during the Six-Day War. In 1977, a second sabbatical leave took him to the Guy’s Hospital Dental School in London, England as a visiting professor and consultant in oral pathology.

Although he formally retired from teaching in 1985, he retired with absorbing activities including working as an Ombudsman in the office of Oregon governor John Kitzhaber and leading a creative writing class for Senior Studies - Institute of Portland Community College until his death. A life-long sympathizer with the rights of the working classes and with oppressed people everywhere; Norm enjoyed spirited political discussions, and lent his support to many liberal political causes. He was known for his whimsical and eloquent use of words, his lively and mischievous sense of humor, and his steadfast loyalty and generosity to his students, family and friends.

His wife, sister, two daughters, son-in-law, and grandson survive Norman.

**Mario G. Martinez Jr., DMD**

Mario G. Martinez Jr., DMD, professor emeritus and former Director of Oral Pathology at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, died on January 3, 2004. Dr. Martinez was born in Havana, Cuba, and graduated from the University of Havana School of Dentistry in 1959, where he subsequently served as professor and chair of oral pathology.

In Cuba, Dr. Martinez opposed the oppressive government of Fidel Castro and escaped his native land in 1961. He arrived in the US with his wife Carmelina and three young children—and very little else. Dr. Martinez and his family moved to Birmingham in 1962, where he started a second professional career, entering dental school at the University of Alabama. After earning his American dental degree, he obtained an MS degree in oral pathology and joined the UAB faculty, where he remained until his retirement in 1989.

Dr. Martinez was admired by a generation of dental students and dentists throughout Alabama, the Southeast and in several Spanish-speaking countries where he was a frequent lecturer. Dr. Martinez received the dental school’s best instructor award on numerous occasions, and his oral pathology course was repeatedly chosen the best basic science course. He established forensic dentistry in Alabama through his testimony in several precedent-setting court cases and served as deputy medical examiner for Jefferson County. He made significant contributions to the scientific literature, most notably concerning the concept of unicystic ameloblastoma (with his friend and colleague, Leonard Robinson, in 1976), and served as assistant editor of the *Journal of Oral Pathology* and a member of the editorial board of the *Journal of Cancer Education*.

Dr. Martinez received many awards and accolades recognizing his love for his adopted country and his devotion to dentistry, including Patriot of the Year Award in 1970, the Americanism Award in 1986 from the Daughters of the American Revolution, the UAB Distinguished Alumnus Award, and the Dentist of the Year Award. He will be missed by friends and colleagues around the world.
Dr. S. Miles Standish

Dr. S. Miles Standish, a direct descendant of Capt Myles Standish, the pilgrim, received his DDS degree from IU School of Dentistry in 1945 and his MS degree in 1956. He served on active duty in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps from 1945-47 and in the Naval Reserve until his retirement from the service in 1983 with the rank of Captain. From 1956-76 he served in the Department of Oral Pathology and in 1976 was appointed Chair of the Indiana University Department of Oral Diagnosis/Oral Medicine. He also served until his retirement as Associate Dean for Graduate and Postgraduate Education. He held offices in many local and national organizations, including the American Academy of Oral Pathology (President, 1972), the Organization of Teachers of Oral Diagnosis (President, 1987), the International Association for Dental Research (President, Indiana Section 1962), and the Indiana Society of Forensic Odontology (President, 1981). He was a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral Pathology, of which he also served as a Director, and was also a member of the Examining Board of the American Academy of Forensic Odontology. Additionally, he served as forensic consultant to the Indiana State Police as well as numerous other consultantships. He was the author of many articles in peer-reviewed journals and the co-author of several textbooks, including the widely used *Oral Diagnosis/Oral Medicine*.

Miles Standish was slight of stature, but he was a giant of a man. In his own quiet way he went about compiling this remarkable list of achievements which would make any career academic and professional enviable. One of the things that distinguished Miles, however, was that everything he achieved personally led to wonderful things he shared with others. He was a superb diagnostician, both at chairside and over a microscope, a gifted teacher and communicator, an accomplished author, and an extremely capable and gracious administrator. But above all, Miles was a true gentleman, a wonderful mentor and a loyal and steadfast friend.

One of the best-kept secrets in oral pathology was the key role that Miles played over 35 years as the indispensable partner of Dr. Shafer in building and growing one of the finest oral pathology training programs ever to exist. They were, one might say, the ying and yang of oral pathology at Indiana, providing a unique environment designed to create superb diagnosticians, educators investigators and thinkers who truly love their work. No one who had the honor of training under his direction, of looking through a double-headed microscope with him on the other side, or of listening to him tell the fascinating story of the discovery of many facts we previously thought routine, could come away with a ho-hum attitude about the subject. Miles had a naturally intellectually curious mind and was never satisfied with being ignorant about a subject. He had high standards for himself, but none but the most helpful and gracious manner toward others.

Precious few of us had the opportunity to work on a daily basis with Miles, to share in his joy in things going well for the school, or his frustration in things going not quite right. For us as well as for all others who knew him, Miles Standish left an imprint and a legacy which will always help us do the right thing. He was the ultimate personal and professional role model, courageous and cheerful to the end. I will miss him terribly, but I am honored to be able to pass along hopefully some of the outlook, commitment and joy in life and work that he shared with all those around him.

And so to his beloved wife Trudy, daughters Nancy and Linda and their entire family, I know I speak for all those whose lives he touched over the years. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for sharing so much of his precious life with us and; and we join in wishing Captain Miles Standish fair winds and following seas. He certainly earned it.

*L. L. Goldblatt*
An update on the Graduate Medical Education (GME) funding issue: this appears to have been decided in an unfavorable fashion with respect to non-hospital-based oral pathology residency programs. As many of you know by now, the provisions for reinstating the GME funding for dental residencies was eliminated from the final version of the Medicare prescription drug benefit bill that was passed on November 22, 2003. A letter of explanation for the negative outcome was circulated by the people at the American Dental Education Association, and several factors seemed to work against the issue. These factors included: the complexity of the dental GME program and difficulty explaining it easily to congressional staff; the extreme opposition of CMS Administrator Tom Scully and Medicare Conference Committee Chairman Bill Thomas to the dental GME issue; unfounded, unsubstantiated allegations of fraud in the GME program that tended to erode support of congressional members; and the philosophical/political view by some members of Congress that Medicare should not be funding the training of health professionals who, as a result of their training, will end up in the higher tax brackets. About the only good news is that the support will be phased out, and no money will have to be repaid for prior years of support. I spoke with the ADEA people, and the current strategy is to “lie low” until a governmental investigative report is issued sometime in the next few months. Assuming the investigation finds no evidence of fraud or wrong-doing related to the GME funds, then another legislative solution to this issue will be pursued. So the battle continues.

In other actions, Council has approved the concept of a new standing committee – the Research and Scientific Affairs Committee – and once the Constitution and By-Laws Committee has a chance to review and comment on it, this hopefully will be brought before the Fellowship for a vote. The purpose of this committee will be “to promote and address the scientific basis for the practice of oral and maxillofacial pathology through criterion- and evidence-based research and analysis.” Through this committee, we expect to be able to provide rational, scientific, and insightful position papers related to significant, potentially controversial topics that we encounter frequently in our specialty. It is anticipated that this committee will also monitor the direction and impact of biomedical research as it relates to oral and maxillofacial pathology.

And in a final bit of news, something that we hope to have “up and running” at the Charleston meeting will be a “flow chart” or diagram that outlines the interrelationships among the Academy and the various professional organizations and committees with which we interact. I personally have found it difficult to keep track of these relationships, making it nearly impossible to determine who should serve (or even who is eligible to serve) on what committee, commission, or association, and when. We anticipate that this chart will give everyone a better overview of how we fit in with the bigger picture of dentistry, medicine, pathology and dental education. There may be previously overlooked opportunities and ways for you to serve the Academy and your profession, and given the complexity of putting together this type of diagram, you may have additional insights with respect to the Academy and its activities that you can share with the staff for inclusion on the chart.

Hopefully most of you have had a chance to make your plans to come to Charleston. This really promises to be a great meeting, with wonderful food, an inviting climate and plenty of things to do in addition to the many Academy-related activities. I look forward to seeing you soon and enjoying the hospitality of this wonderful Southern destination.
FACULTY POSITION
ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL PATHOLOGY

CONNECTICUT – ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL PATHOLOGY

The School of Dental Medicine is currently conducting a search for a 75% - 100% non-tenure track faculty position in the Division of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology, Department of Oral Diagnosis, School of Dental Medicine. Major responsibilities include didactic and clinical teaching of oral pathology at the pre- and postdoctoral levels, active participation in the Oral Pathology biopsy service, and provision of diagnostic and therapeutic patient services in the clinical oral pathlogy/oral medicine practice at the Health Center. The Division of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology works in close association with the Division of Anatomic Pathology in the Health Center. The School of Dental Medicine’s shared campus with the School of Medicine and University Hospital offers potential for ongoing collaborative and collegial interactions. Excellent research opportunities also exist. The Health Center has a strong record of productivity in basic and clinical research, including oral and head and neck oncology.

The position is available July 1, 2004; applications will be considered immediately. Candidates must hold the DMD or DDS degree and be AAOMP Board-certified. Academic rank/salary are commensurate with qualifications/experience. Salary and fringe benefits will be funded via the biopsy service and clinical practice. The position holds opportunities for both scientific and financial incentives. Please submit CV and three letters of recommendation to Dr. Ellen Eisenberg, Professor and Division Head, Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology, MC0925, Department of Oral Diagnosis, School of Dental Medicine, 263 Farmington Ave., Farmington, CT 06030-0925. The University of Connecticut is an EEO/AA employer; women and minorities are encouraged to apply.
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