The Magnificent City: Chicago!

In June, the American Academy of Implant Dentistry will host its 2019 Central District Meeting in Chicago. (Photo/Provided by www.freeimages.com)

2019 AAID Central District Meeting: ‘Staying Out of Trouble’

By Sierra Rendon, Managing Editor

Understanding how to apply the most effective and innovative troubleshooting techniques can be a challenging journey. However, it’s not one you have to endure alone. This is why the American Academy of Implant Dentistry (AAID) gathers leaders in implant dentistry on a regular basis — to provide its members with an educational forum to distinguish attending clinicians with the latest research and techniques to advance his or her practice.

From June 7-9, the AAID will host its 2019 Central District Meeting in Chicago at the Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile. The theme of the event is “Dental Implants: Staying Out of Trouble.” The program covers topics that will help equip you with the tools to successfully navigate through the most difficult implant cases.

At this event, you’ll

- Advance your knowledge with the latest innovations in full-arch solutions
- Understand when to go freehand or guided surgery
- Learn how to prevent and manage implant complications

Some featured sessions include:

- “Trying to Restore Less-Than-Ideally Placed Implants,” with Dave Resnick, DDS, FAID, DABOI/ID
- “Risk Management: Defense Augmentation,” with Frank R. Recker, DDS, JD
- “Peri-Implantitis Prevention,” with Hilt Tatsum, Jr., DDS, FAID, DABOI/ID
- “How to Avoid and Manage Implant Complications in the Esthetic Zone,” with Suheil Boutros, DDS
- “Staying Out of Trouble Starts With the Basics,” with Michael Fioritto, DDS, FAID, DABOI/ID

After a reception in the exhibit hall, Friday evening’s dinner will honor Frank Recker, DDS, JD. Recker has served as general counsel for the AAID for more than 26 years and, on behalf of the AAID, has obtained judicial decisions striking down multiple state restrictions on the advertising of AAID and ABOI/ID credentials, as well as obtaining court decisions that permit ABOI/ID diplomates to advertise as “specialists” in implant dentistry.

Recker’s private legal practice involves the representation of dentists nationally. His firm has an “Of Counsel” relationship with the firm of Flannery/Georgalis in Cleveland, which provides criminal defense counsel for dentists being investigated or accused in such actions.

Recker lectures nationally before dental groups, state dental boards and local dental societies. He is a member of local, state and national bar associations and local, state and national dental organizations, including the AAID. Academy of General Dentistry, American Dental Association, American College of Dentists, American College of Legal Medicine and American Association of Dental Boards.

AAOMS, Henry Schein Cares present grants to volunteers

The American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS) and the Henry Schein Cares Foundation are supporting the volunteerism of four oral and maxillofacial surgeons (OMSs) through the joint Global Outreach Program.

For the fourth consecutive year, AAOMS and the foundation are presenting $2,500 grants to four doctors to help fund their oral and maxillofacial surgery care in the United States and around the world. The program also offers each recipient $2,000 in health-care products courtesy of Henry Schein Cares, which aims to increase the delivery of health-care services and information to at-risk and underserved communities.

“Oral and maxillofacial surgeons deliver vital health care to patients in underserved communities around the world,” said AAOMS President A. Thomas Indresano, DMD, FAC. “Since 2015, the Global Outreach Program has provided grants to help oral and maxillofacial surgeons use their expertise to make a significant difference around the world.”

The 2018 grant recipients are:

- Joli Chou, DMD, MD, FACS, of Philadelphia – Chou plans to use the grant for a two-week surgical mission trip with Africa Mercy to Guinea. She and other health-care providers from more than 30 countries will conduct approximately 60 major oral and maxillofacial surgeries on patients of all ages. Continuing education also will be provided to local health-care providers. Chou has received four grants from the program to fund trips with Mercy Ships, a nonprofit that operates a fleet of ships to offer health-care services in developing countries.
- Clay Van Leeuwen, DMD, MD, of Fairbanks, Alaska – The grant will cover licensuring and supplies as well as hospitalization, food and travel for patients from remote locations treated by Global Medi

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ADA, AAP mourn loss of Dr. Robert J. Genco

By AAP Staff

Robert J. Genco, DDS, PhD, a pioneer in periodontal research and a leader in the broad recognition of the perio-systemic link, died on March 6 at the age of 80. Genco earned his dental degree from the State University of New York (SUNY) Buffalo School of Dental Medicine in 1963. He went on to simultaneously pursue both specialized periodontal training and immunology at the University of Pennsylvania, where he was mentored by periodontist D. Walter Cohen, DDS, and immunologist Fred Karush, PhD.

Genco received his certificate in periodontics and doctorate in microbiology and immunology in 1967. As a result of this unique educational background, Genco would go on to become an internationally recognized expert in oral biology. He was one of the first researchers to connect periodontal disease with other diseases (such as heart disease and diabetes), and his more than 370 scientific papers are regarded as some of the most important work establishing a link between periodontal health and systemic health.

Genco’s research earned him many awards, including the 1991 Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Dental Research and 2003 Norton M. Ross Award from the American Dental Association (ADA), and the 1993 Gold Medal Award and 2012 Distinguished Scientist Award from the American Academy of Periodontology (AAP). He was also a seasoned educator, serving as chairman of the University at Buffalo Oral Biology Department for 25 years and being named Distinguished Professor of Oral Biology, Microbiology and Immunology in 1994.

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cal and Surgical Teams, a small group of doctors and nurses. Last year, the group partnered with a clinic in Kyotera, Uganda, to perform cleft lip and palate surgeries. The group is scheduled to return for follow-up and to perform additional primary lip and palate repairs.

- Gary R. Parker, DDS, of Lindale, Texas

– During approximately nine months in Conakry, Guinea, Parker and his team plan to treat about 250 patients. He also expects to participate in a full-time surgical mentoring program for surgeons. Parker has been a full-time volunteer OMS with Mercy Ships for 31 years. Every year since 2015, he has received a grant from the Global Outreach Program for his service with Mercy Ships.

- Edward Zebovitz, DDS, of Bowie, Md.

– The grant will cover supplies and medications for procedures to be performed during Surgeons for Smiles’ trip to Eritrea, Africa. The procedures will include prosthetic reconstruction of the TMJ, facial reconstruction, tumor management and cleft lip and palate reconstruction. One mission trip can provide 35 to 50 surgeries, and patients range in age from 8 months to 80 years.

About AAOMS

The American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons is a professional organization representing more than 11,000 oral and maxillofacial surgeons, OMS residents and OMS professional staff in the United States.
Glidewell Dental to present 3rd annual educational symposium in Orlando

By Glidewell Dental Staff

Glidewell Dental, a leader in dental education and a technological innovator in restorative dentistry for nearly 50 years, has announced the third annual Glidewell Dental Symposium. Scheduled for Nov. 8–9, at the Hilton Bonnet Creek and Waldorf Astoria in Orlando, Fla., the event will provide practical clinical and business education, with a first day of fast-paced presentations and a second day of in-depth lectures and hands-on programs crafted specifically to help doctors overcome the challenges of everyday dentistry. Attendees enrolled for both days will earn up to 12 hours of continuing education (C.E.) credits.

“This is an exciting time to be involved in dentistry,” said Dr. Neil Park, scientific chair of the Glidewell Symposium and vice president of clinical affairs at Glidewell Dental. “From innovative technologies to progressive clinical techniques, there are many opportunities to help improve oral health and transform the smiles of patients.

“The Glidewell Symposium, now in its third year, aims to bring dentists the emerging science, technology and clinical methodologies that will define the future of dentistry. The curriculum is intended to help clinicians learn new tools and techniques to expand their service offerings, overcome challenges and meet the needs of patients.

Dentists have conveyed a growing need for practical and hands-on dental education, as demonstrated by last year’s Glidewell Symposium, which more than doubled in size from the previous year and sold out three months before the event. In recognition of this strong enthusiasm, and to accommodate dentists in 2019, the Glidewell Symposium has moved to a world-class location in Orlando and will bring together even more experts from diverse areas of dentistry.

During this weekend of networking and education, topics will include everything from dental implants, restorative techniques and esthetic dentistry, to in-office milling, sleep-related dentistry and practice management. All courses are designed to provide real-world clinical and business solutions so that attendees can achieve immediate, tangible results when they return to their practices on Monday.

“In the general session on Friday, we will have a full day, with 16 fast-paced presentations that eliminate the non-essential information and get right to the heart of the clinical technique or business strategy being presented,” Park said.

“On both days of the event, attendees will also be able to browse interactive exhibits that feature the latest in 3-D printing, intraoral scanning, in-office milling, the CAD/CAM workflow, dental implants, and regenerative and restorative materials. There will be live demonstrations, virtual reality tours and opportunities for one-on-one discussions.

The 2019 Glidewell Dental Symposium is for dentists, hygienists and chairside and front-office staff. Tuition for the Friday general session is $195, and to register for sessions on both Friday and Saturday, tuition is $320. Friday tuition includes a complimentary breakfast, lunch and cocktail reception with hosted bar. Saturday tuition includes breakfast. Because last year’s symposium sold out quickly, attendees are encouraged to register early to secure seats.

For the complete symposium agenda and to register, visit glidewellsymposium.com or call (866) 791-9539.

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