T he free CEREC Discovery Seminar is scheduled for Aug. 28 and 29 at the Scottsdale Center of Dentistry. This special event will present the latest developments in CEREC® in-office CAD/CAM. Attendees can earn six AGD accredited C.E. hours. Dr. Gordon Christensen and Dr. James Kliban are among the speakers.

Included in this free package (a $1,395 value) is a complimentary one-night stay at the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess Resort on Aug. 28. However, this is only available to the first 210 registrants. After that, accommodations will be provided at an alternate property.

For more information or to register, visit www.CERECDiscovery.com.

Meisinger USA again holding Bone Management Symposium

I n Oct., Meisinger USA is hosting its Bone Management Symposium in Germany. The course is limited to only 40 doctors.

Among the speakers will be Prof. Dr. Klaus Benner; Dr. Florian Bauer; Dr. Ernst Fuchs; Dr. Dwayne Karateew, DDS; Prof. Milan Juric, DDS, MSc, PhD; Dr. Giles Horrocks, DDS, MS; and Dr. Andrew Joham, DDS, MS.

The attendance fee ($549) includes all lectures, hands-on workshops, accomodations, meals, excursions and airport transfers (to Munich).

For more information, visit www.meisingerusam.com or e-mail info@meisingerusam.com.

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Occlusal splint therapy — The Dawson Academy Way

Rationale, indications and fabrication workshop now being offered

S t. Petersburg, Fla. — The Dawson Academy wants to teach its students how to develop an individualized management plan by understanding the basic concepts of anatomy, physiology and neuromuscular relationships.

The Dawson Academy will teach this and other concepts in its new hands-on course entitled Occlusal Splint Therapy: Rationale, Indications and Fabrication Workshop. The two-and-a-half day hands-on course will be given by Henry Gremillion, DDS, and DeWitt Wilkerson, DMD, and will take place Nov. 20-22, 2008 at the University of Florida Seminole Dental Clinic in St. Petersburg, Fla.

About the hands-on course

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