America’s Toothfairy fifth anniversary

By Fred Michmershuizen, Online Editor

Hundreds of dental industry leaders were on hand during the Midwinter Meeting in Chicago as the National Children’s Oral Health Foundation (NCOHF), known as America’s Toothfairy, held its fifth anniversary celebration Feb. 24 at the Hyatt Regency.

The mission of the NCOHF is to eliminate pediatric oral disease and promote overall health and well being for millions of children from vulnerable populations.

The NCOHF is a comprehensive resource provider for non-profit community programs that deliver critical preventive, educational and treatment services.

Among those speaking at the reception were NCOHF board member Dr. Gordon Christensen and NCOHF President and CEO Fern K. Ingber, who both expressed thanks to the association’s corporate underwriters, whose contributions allow 100 percent of donations to go directly to children’s oral care services.

The NCOHF provides vital financial, product and technical support to a growing national network of not-for-profit Affiliate programs and volunteer dental professionals delivering critical oral health services for underserved children.

All NCOHF affiliate partners use a comprehensive preventive, restorative and educational model to break the cycle of pediatric dental disease and improve children’s overall health.

Hinman’s southern hospitality

Take a sneak peek at what there is to look forward to at the Hinman Dental Meeting, March 24–26, in Atlanta. The event has a long-standing reputation of excellence, offering the highest quality continuing education delivered by the industry’s foremost experts and served with southern hospitality that only Hinman can provide. (Photo/Fred Michmershuizen, Online Editor)

Oral Health America holds annual gala

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Founded in 1955, Oral Health America (OHA) is a national non-profit organization dedicated to changing lives by connecting communities with resources that increase access to dental care. Funded by charitable contributions, the association also provides education and advocacy for all Americans, especially those most vulnerable.

OHA held its 21st annual Gala and Benefit at Chicago’s Field Museum on Feb. 23, during the recent midwinter meeting. The evening featured a reception, an auction and raffle and dinner, followed by music and dancing.

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Dr. Gordon Christensen, left, and Fern K. Ingber.

From left: Mike Cohen, Mike Orecchio, David Lang and Dan Parrilli. (Photos/Mark Eisen, Dental Tribune)