AAO elects new officers

Dr. Lee W. Graber of Illinois takes over as president

The AAO House of Delegates met on April 30 and May 3 during the AAO Annual Session in Washington, D.C. Items of business included election of officers for 2010–11 and the installation of a new member of the board of trustees.

Officers are: Lee W. Graber, DDS, MS, PhD, of Vernon Hills, Ill. — president; Michael B. Rogers, DDS, of Augusta, Ga. — president-elect; and John F. Buzzatto, DMD, MDS, of Allison Park, Pa. — secretary-treasurer.

Buzzatto also represents the Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists on the board of trustees.

DeWayne B. McCamish, DDS, MS, of Chattanooga, Tenn., was installed as the new trustee on the board. He succeeds Rogers as the representative of the Southern Association of Orthodontists.

In addition to Graber, Rogers, Buzzatto and McCamish, the AAO Board of Trustees includes: Gayle Glenn, DDS, MSD, Southwestern Society of Orthodontists; Brent E. Larson, DDS, MS, Midwestern Society of Orthodontists; Nahid Maleki, DDS, MS, Middle Atlantic Society of Orthodontists; Hugh R. Phillis, DMD, Northeastern Society of Orthodontists; Morris N. Poole, DDS, Rocky Mountain Society of Orthodontists; and Robert E. Varner, DMD, Pacific Coast Society of Orthodontists.

Also on the AAO Board of Trustees are Robert James Bray, DDS, MS, of Somers Point, N.J., immediate past president; David L. Turpin, DDS, MSD, of Federal Way, Wash., editor in chief of the American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics; Keith Levin, DMD, MS, of Winnipeg, Manitoba, speaker of the AAO House of Delegates; and Vincent G. Kokich Sr., DDS, MSD of Tacoma, Wash., editor designate of the American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics.

Watch the ‘This Is Your Mouth’ video and help support NCOHF

By Fred Michmershuizen, Online Editor

“This Is Your Mouth,” a new video from Johnson & Johnson Healthcare Products that is narrated by Neil Patrick Harris, takes a closer look at the potential effects of rapidly multiplying bacteria in the mouth and illustrates how LISTERINE Antiseptic destroys the millions of germs that are left behind from brushing alone.

Each time the documentary is viewed, a $1 donation will go from Johnson & Johnson to the National Children’s Oral Health Foundation: America’s Toothfairy.

“This Is Your Mouth” video may be viewed at www.listerine.com/yourmouth.

“I never realized how much goes on ‘behind the scenes’ in our mouths, and that brushing and flossing alone isn’t enough to keep germs at bay,” said Neil Patrick Harris, announcing the new video.

In the video, which blends pop culture with science and a good dose of humor, dental professionals and scientists explain how bacteria multiply and collect in the mouth to form a thick layer called plaque biofilm, which is more harmful than free-flowing bacteria and may increase the potential for bad breath and gingivitis.

The video also depicts when LISTERINE Antiseptic was first formulated in 1879 and offers rare glimpses of retro advertisements.

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