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78th Annual Session held in conjunction with the WIOC

By Sierra Rendon, Managing Editor

The Pacific Coast Society of Orthodontists and the World Implant Orthodontic Conference will join together for the PCSO’s 78th Annual Session from Oct. 2–5 in Anaheim, Calif. The meeting offers four days of education, networking with colleagues and social events that will highlight the many attractive features of Southern California, event organizers said.

Whether you’re looking for innovative information on orthodontic treatment, practice management information, team building for your entire staff or hands-on learning opportunities, the PCSO/WIOC has them scheduled for this meeting.

Session topics range from “Zipping Past the Tipping Point with Mini Screws” with Dr. S. Jay Bowman to “Vertical Control Through TADs — How We Create the Beautiful Face” with Dr. Yanheng Zhuo to “Effects of Orthodontic Treatment with Implant Anchors on TMJ” with Dr. Yasuo Watanabe, in addition to countless others.

The PCSO’s planning committee, which put together the schedule for this year’s event, include Drs. Ronald Ja-wor, Lili Horton, Frank Beglin, Terri Yoshikane, Robert Meister and Ms. Karen Moawad. Aiding them from the WIOC is Drs. Ravi Nanda, Peter Ngan and Flavio Uribe.

A special networking opportunity will take place at the PCSO and WIOC 2014 Welcome Party. The event will take place at the Richard M. Nixon Library & Museum from 6–10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3. The evening will include dinner, dancing and a chance to tour the grounds, which includes Nixon’s childhood home, and many exhibits. Dress code is cocktail attire, and tickets for the evening are $95. Transportation will be provided from the Marriott Hotel and Convention Center.

Next year’s session will take place in Palm Springs, Calif., from Oct. 22–25. For more information, please visit www.pcsortho.org or www.wioc2014.org.

CASE STUDY

Optimal timing for management of impacted canines

By Dr. Michael Mayhew

In this article, I present a case with blocked maxillary canines emphasizing optimal treatment timing and treatment mechanics utilizing a non-extraction approach and Damon® System appliances.

Introduction

The pendulum swing for extraction versus non-extraction treatment has definitely taken a non-extraction direction in recent years. This has placed a new emphasis on arch length development or arch enlargement techniques. This emphasis appears to have an esthetic-savvy public demanding and appreciating orthodontic treatment plans that are directed at avoiding extractions and potentially creating broader and fuller dental arches.

It is the orthodontist’s challenge to complete diagnostic evaluations for each patient individually and to determine the optimal timing and treatment plan for them. Patients with impacted dentition and late mixed dentition offer a particular challenge when assessing treatment timing relative to growth potential, tooth extractions due to inadequate room for tooth eruption and potentially time in treatment.

Self-ligation orthodontic appliances have stimulated discussion and challenged conventional wisdom about orthodontic treatment planning, clinical mechanics, outcomes and stability. Treatment theories are predicated on the appliances and wire interactions providing a more efficient method of force application and resultant orthodontic alignment.

The mechanical interaction of the wire/bracket interface coupled with hard and soft tissue adaptation is stated to “develop” arch width and resultant arch length. It is hypothesized that this combination of arch dimensional and alignment changes promotes the need for fewer extrac-