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A Time for Change !!! by Fred Goodman

Let George do it. That's what I was thinking before I sat down to write this article. After all this very capable, quietly effective gentleman will be taking over the President's office after the meeting in Philadelphia. Let George do it. George who? He is sometimes referred to as Goodis #1 or is it Goodis #2?? In any event my two years as keeper of the gavel (who's got the gavel?) are over. Now is the time for George Goodis to step forward and show us what we the Directors of the COD already know-GEORGE HAS THE RIGHT STUFF!!!!----

As we celebrate the new diplomates coming on board (pun intended), and there are 40 of them, I would like to welcome them on behalf of the COD. They all worked hard and the long journey from OZ TO CERTIFICATION has concluded with success.

Since our last Pinnacle much has been going on. Some things are in place and some are in flux---let George do it!!!---some are still on the drawing board. The mentoring manual at long last has undergone an update and is ready for distribution. Andre Mickel, Steve Clark and Chuck Cunningham were primarily responsible for it's being here. Mentors use it wisely.

The website is constantly being updated and the COD is always looking for information to post. As soon as we know

something we take out the cattle prod and threaten Joe Dovgan and things get done. At this time the location for Summer Conference 2008 has not been chosen---narrowed down--- but not yet signed for. BLOCK OFF the following dates:-WEDNESDAY AUGUST 6TH TO SUNDAY AUGUST 10TH. A note will go out to you soon as it is finalized. As in the past the format will stay the same, class in the morning and free time in the afternoon. If you remember the successes we have had----Jackson Hole, Biltmore Estate, Bachelor Gulch, Tamaya Resort----you will enjoy 2008 as well. Our chairperson Sandy Madison has been working diligently on the program.

This year's Louis Grossman Luncheon is held on Thursday April 26th from noon to 1:30, in the Liberty Ballroom in the Marriott. Our keynote speaker is the esteemed Dr. D. Walter Cohen and his topic is, "Professor Grossman -The Ultimate Professional Role Model". Make sure you have registered for the luncheon. I am sure we will be held in awe.

After the address Dr. Keith Krell, president of the ABE will present the new Diplomates with their pins.

In our last Pinnacle "conversation" I remember asking--rhetorically-"what have we done for you lately". It is now

time to answer that question.

The COD has sponsored ABE Directors trips to review courses as a preparatory for the exams. The COD has started work on a mock Board to help during the mentoring process. Dr. Harold Goodis is in charge of this project (is he Goodis #1 or #2??).

Last but not least, a new endeavor has been approved: the position of COD consultant to the ABE. This position will be a liaison between the two boards so that communication will be clear.

In closing, I would like to thank my fellow directors for all their guidance, patience and abiding my errors while leading our conference calls. There is no way that I can express my feelings of trust, caring, cooperation, toward them , except to say I will not forget my experiences with all of you.

When we want something done or just a sounding board, we go to Susan. My relationship with her has been wonderful. We have had our huge successes BECAUSE Susan is there to help. Thank you!!! On behalf of the board I would like to congratulate Steve Clark on his elevation to the ABE as one of its new directors. We must be doing something right!! Steve you will be missed.

I promised you it was time for a change, so here are the first words as president. --

Thank You Fred by George Goodis



Thank you Fred for your exemplary leadership as President of the College and Kudos to you for the long list of accomplishments during your productive term.

It is with my utmost humility that I accept the passing of the gavel from you.

I will begin my first report to the COD by thanking all the members and the Board of Directors for this great privilege and distinct honor for the opportunity to

serve as the President of the AAE College of Diplomates.

My goal as President will be to build on the mission of the founding COD fathers as well as on the impressive contributions of preceding COD leadership that I have served with during my BOD experience: Drs. Tom Mork, Jim Simon, Eddy Skidmore and Fred Goodman.

As the COD has grown over the past years, a rich tradition has been established. Proof of this is the increasing number of Board eligible candidates that are successfully passing all phases of the ABE Certification process.

The College's mission is paving the way for ABE success and I will do my best to raise the bar of our mentoring efforts to the next level.

Fortunately, I am blessed to begin my term with the support of the most talented and resourceful Board of Directors that exists on this planet. The credentials of this group of individuals place them at the "Pinnacle" of anyone's top 10 list.

With a "dream team" to work with,

I am proposing three main goals to begin my leadership year.

Number one: To establish a direct relationship with the increased passing numbers of Board Certified Endodontists and the COD mentoring efforts.

In other words: to quantify and to qualify with data, the COD input with ABE success.

Number two: To establish the new revised mentoring manual as the "connecting force" between the COD Mentor Ambassadors and every Grad Endo Program Director.

In other words: The Mentoring Manual will open a seamless communication pathway between Program Directors and the COD.

Number three: To establish a start date, location and faculty for a COD Mock Board Exam.

In other words: The COD Mock Board will add another dimension to the mission of the college.

To accomplish these goals I am asking for everyone's support, creativity, insight, humor and great team enthusiasm.

The University of Michigan Biologic and Clinical Aspects of Endodontology by George Goodis

The University of Michigan 20th Annual Review of the Biological and Clinical Aspects of Endodontology will be held on March 15 - 17, 2007 at the School of Dentistry.

For all Diplomate candidates, this is a "must attend" Board Review Course. The 3 day program features National and Internationally recognized Speakers that cover all the essential Board Certification requirements.

The College of Diplomates will host a cheese and wine reception at the conclusion of the 2nd day. Afterward, I will speak to the attendees and provide an overview of the College's mentoring and educational mission. Then I will introduce Dr. Carl Newton, from the ABE, for his presentation "Tips for preparing for the Board."

Dr. Newton who is ABE Secretary and previous COD Board Director will offer his masterly advice for becoming successful with Board Certification. Always, Dr. Newton is gracious in acknowledging the positive impact the COD mentoring has had on the current Board Certification outcome results!!

**Remember to get your ticket for:
The Louis I. Grossman Memorial
Luncheon
with guest speaker
Dr. Walter Cohen
Located in Marriott's Liberty
Ballroom
from 12:00 noon-1:30 pm
Thursday April 26, 2007
Congratulate the New Diplomates,
share lunch with fellow diplomates
and hear Dr. Walter Cohen**



COD Treasurer's Report by Joseph Dougan

As the Treasurer of the College of Diplomates, I am pleased to present the financial report for the year ending 12/31/06.

The COD Board of Directors have reviewed and approved all the expenditures for the year 2006. Every line item allocation was based on the COD prioritizing each expense as it relates to member value.

A net loss occurred of 49,324.74, with an ending 2006 balance of \$ 47,658.91. The loss is primarily due to revenue for dues NOT being processed until first quarter 2007 and was recommended by COD's tax advisor.

College of Diplomates Financial Statement 1/1/1006 - 12/31/2006

Starting Balance on 1/1/2006\$96,988.65

Revenues:

Gross Receipts\$84,540.00
Interest..... \$477.56

Total Revenue\$85,017.56

Expenses:

Accounting Fees\$2,590.00
Board Review Course.....\$1,523.45
Conference Calls\$2,220.86
Registration Fees\$0.00
Grossman Lunch.....\$2,994.93
Pinnacle\$12,482.10
Office Expenses.....\$8,430.08
Postage.....\$0.00
Registration Refunds\$0.00
Secretarial Fees.....\$8,084.41
Summer Conference\$77,027.58
TelephoneUnder Conference calls
Travel Grant\$1,896.50
Website\$1,097.39
Honorarium.....\$6,000.00

Total Expenses\$134,347.30

Ending Balance 12/31/2006\$47,658.91



Secretary's Report (Spring/Summer) by Harold E. Goodis

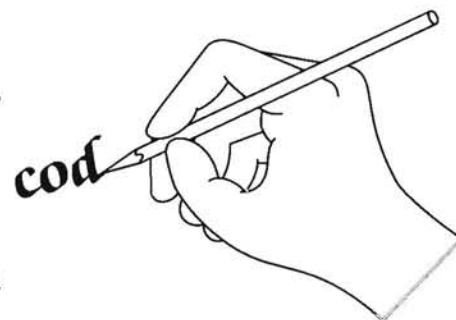
The business of the College of Diplomates (COD) continues to be carried out by monthly conference calls with the Directors and the Administrative Secretary. The Directors of COD will meet in April at the AAE meeting in Philadelphia. The following is a summary of the business conducted since the previous Secretary's Report in the last edition of the Pinnacle. Communication with the Executive Board of the American Association of Endodontists (AAE) and the Directors of the AAE continues. Since COD was founded, great strides in recognition of the College have occurred, through the efforts of the Directors of AAE, ABE, and COD. The Directors of COD wish to thank the Directors of AAE and ABE for their encouragement and aid in the achievements to date. COD will continue with its mission of encouragement and aid to all graduates of Advanced Education Programs in Endodontics. The mentoring program of the COD continues to function at a high level. The past Summer Conference (as previously reported) was a great success and selection and program for the 2008 conference are now being planned. The Louis Grossman Luncheon will be held at the Marriott Hotel in Philadelphia during the annual AAE meeting. This year's speaker will be an icon of dentistry in the United States, Dr. D. Walter Cohen. The title of his presentation is: *Professor Louis Grossman, The Ultimate Professional Role Model*. This is a most appropriate subject as accreditation of new Diplomates will be completed with the awarding of their official pins. Dr.

Cohen's presentation will speak of Dr. Grossman's role as the Father of modern endodontics, his devotion to his professor, family, and school, together with his raising the bar for ethical practice in our specialty.

While sad to report that Dr. Steve Clark will be leaving as a Director of COD, he has been nominated to become a Director of the Board of the American Board of Endodontics. COD wishes him good luck in his new position.

The COD Board of Directors continued to be proactive in the business of the College. A formal protocol for costs to be reimbursed for travel by ABE Directors to the endodontic specialty programs has been developed. COD Directors will also be involved with presentations when called upon by program directors. Work continues on revision of the Mentor's Manual, which will be completed by spring. The application for ABE certification now includes an item in which candidate's will allow their information to be transferred to the College. This has resulted in an great increase in the numbers of candidates requesting mentoring help in the certification process by members of COD. A database of candidates for certification is now being developed. An Ambassadors Program, developed by Steve Clark, is now in place. This program will improve communication between the various programs and the College. A new director will be nominated to replace Steve Clark. The College, through the efforts of Joe Dovgan, continues to improve our web page.

Updates on the literature reviews



given to COD are in the works to bring them current. Other matters considered over the last several months included methods of improving the College's ability to carry out its business and the Directors ability to more competently communicate with each other. To this end, the retiring President of the ABE will be asked to assume a consultant's role between ABE and COD. This will aid increased rapport between the two boards. Dr. Fred Goodman will relinquish his gavel as President of COD in May. Fred has been instrumental in developing a more functional board as well as leading the College in its successes over the past two years. The Directors of the College as well as the membership thank Dr Goodman for his hard work and his concern with the business of the College.

He will be a hard act to follow, but we are fortunate to have Dr. George Goodis as his worthy successor. The past several months have represented an increase in the roll that the College places in the certification process. The coming months indicate a continuance in that process.

2008 Summer Conference

Save the dates!!!

Wednesday, August 6, 2008

through

Sunday, August 10, 2008.

Location and Speakers
to be announced at the
AAE Meeting in Philly!

Congratulations New Diplomates - 2006

Dr. Sunghee Ahn
West Palm Beach, FL

Dr. Steven D. Baerg
Gig Harbor, WA

Dr. Rodrick L. Barden
Fairburn, GA

Dr. David C. Beachler
Orange, CA

Dr. Raphael G.P. Bellamy
Dublin, Ireland

Dr. Jason E. Bergman
Asheville, NC

Dr. Robert A. Caruso Jr
Chalfont, PA

Dr. Silvia C.M. Cecchini
Berkeley, CA

Dr. Derik P. DeConinck
Warren, MI

Dr. Manish Garala
Houston, TX

Dr. Claudia I. Holt
Houston, TX

Dr. Harold L. Jacobson III
El Cajon, CA

Dr. Katherine Kuntz Jakuc
Charlotte, NC

Dr. Jin Jiang
Cheshire, CT

Dr. Nooshin Katebzadeh
Whittier, CA

Dr. David M. Kenec
Harrisonburg, VA

Dr. David P. Koelliker
Salt Lake City, UT

Dr. Ravi S. Koka
San Francisco, CA

Dr. Keith T. Komatsu
Redondo Beach, CA

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Lititz, PA

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Fairport, NY

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Germantown, TN

Dr. Joseph M. Morelli
Louisville, KY

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West Palm Beach, FL

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Fresno, CA

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Torrance, CA

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Burbank, CA

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Germany

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***College of Diplomates
Announcements***

Bio on Dr. Walter Cohen, DDS - Speaker for Grossman Luncheon, Thursday, April 26, 2007



Philadelphia born and bred, Dr. D. Walter Cohen attended the University of Pennsylvania undergraduate school and earned his DDS from its School of Dental Medicine in 1950. Following a Research Fellowship in Pathology and Periodontics at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston, he returned to Penn as an assistant instructor in the Dental School. During his 35-year career there, he established the school's department of periodontics and served as its first chairman; rose to the rank of Professor of Periodontics, and served as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs before becoming Dean.

He is widely credited with revitaliz-

ing the school's educational program during his tenure as dean from 1972 to 1983 by establishing a preceptor model of education, introducing new courses, recruiting a new faculty and establishing a residency described in his book: *Educating the Dentist of the Future: The Pennsylvania Experiment*.

Dr. Cohen continues to practice and teach in addition to his responsibilities as an administrator. His constant search for knowledge has made him a prominent member of the scientific community with 22 books and more than 100 published articles to his credit.

Dr. Cohen resigned as Dean in 1983 to pursue other academic challenges. He subsequently spent a year as the first Presidential Scholar at the University of California at San Francisco. In 1986, the D. Walter Cohen and Betty A. Cohen Professor and Chair in Periodontal Research was dedicated at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He serves as Dean-Emeritus of the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine.

After becoming the President of the Medical College of Pennsylvania in 1986, he opened a new educational campus with the addition of the 15-acre property at Queen Lane. In 1993, Dr. Cohen became Chancellor of the Medical College of Pennsylvania. Recognition of Dr. Cohen's contributions have come in the form of numerous awards and honors from all over the world including honorary degrees from Boston University, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, the

University of Athens, the Louis Pasteur University in Strasbourg, and the University of Detroit. He received the Gold Medal from the American Academy of Periodontology and was only the third American to earn honorary membership in the British Society of Periodontology. In 1982, the French government bestowed its Legion of Merit Award upon Dr. Cohen in recognition of his significant contributions to dental education in France. In 1990, Ambassador Walter Annenberg endowed the D. Walter Cohen Professorship and Chair in Periodontics at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine. He is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences. He chaired the Pennsylvania Diabetes Academy and served as President of the National Museum of American Jewish History and is a member of the Board of the Jewish Publication Society. On June 1, 1997, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem dedicated the D. Walter Cohen, DDS Middle East Center for Dental Education in Israel. In 1998, Dr. Cohen became Chancellor-Emeritus of Drexel University College of Medicine. He serves on the Board of Philadelphia University, Gratz College, National Disease Research Interchange, The Philadelphia Orchestra, Philly Pops, and the Hadassah Medical Organization.

From the Webmeister by Joe Dougan

Oh the joys of having your mentored candidate pass the case submissions. I'm as happy as the candidate is! Now onto the next stage, getting ready for the orals. Problem is, we just don't have all the study guides we need in place yet. We have a fantastic literature guide that does a good job until year 2000. More importantly, I'd like to see some study guides on local anesthesia, must know anatomy and ramifications of spaces, important

pharmacology, medical emergencies, oral pathology, and dental management of the medically compromised patient.... Do you know of any you feel would help our candidates? If so, please send them to me or let me know about them. It's all about content! The objective is to become the central location for information for those taking boards. I can be reached at joe@endodovgan.com if you have any comments.



Report on Graduate Endodontic Programs

Lutheran Medical Center
150 55th St
Brooklyn, NY 1120-2574

The newly established endodontic residency program at Lutheran Medical Center began on July 1, 2005. This two year program accepts 3 residents each year. Lutheran Medical Center serves the underserved communities of Sunset Park, Brooklyn.

The program is directed by Dr. Robert Goldberger who has maintained a private practice in Brooklyn for the past 20 years. He became a diplomate in 1992.

The Ohio State University Advanced Endodontic Program
College of Dentistry
305 W 12th Ave PO Box 182357
Columbus, OH 43218-2357

Established in 1964.
27-month program, Master's Degree is required.

Number of residents per year - four
Program Director Information:

Dr. Al Reader is currently a Professor and Director of the Advanced Endodontic Program at The Ohio State University. He received his DDS degree, endodontic training, and Masters Degree from Ohio State. He received his Diplomate status in 1985 and is currently a Director and Treasurer of the American Board of Endodontics. He has been Past-President of the Ohio Association of Endodontists and has published many papers on local anesthesia and endodontics.

University of Minnesota Graduate Endodontics
Dept. of Endodontics
School of Dentistry
515 Delaware St. SE Room 8-166
Minneapolis, MN 55455-0348

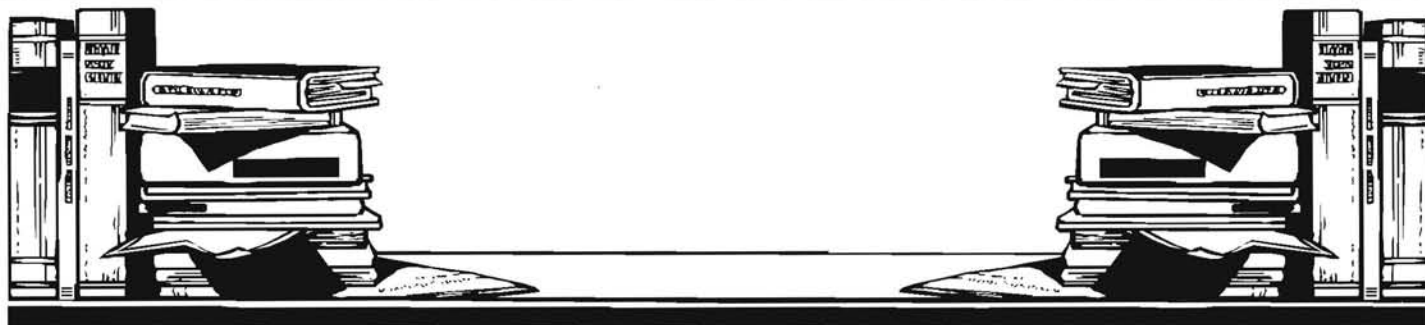
Program Established: 1953
Program Duration: 26 months
Degrees: Certificate of Residency and M.S.

(Certificate only pathway is not offered)

Number of Residents: Four per year

Program Director: Dr. Scott B. McClanahan

1981 D.D.S. - University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
1989 Certificate of Residency in Endodontics - Northwestern University Dental School
1989 M.S. - Northwestern University
1993 Board Certification
1981 - 2005 Active Duty U.S. Navy
01 November 2005 joined the faculty at the University of Minnesota, School of Dentistry



University of Maryland Offers Second Annual Endodontic Board Review Course by Lamar Hicks

The Division of Endodontics at the University of Maryland will sponsor the Second Annual "Endodontic Board Review and Scientific Update" on October 5-7, 2007 at the Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel in Baltimore, Maryland. A standout group of internationally known speakers are lined up to cover a wide spectrum of scientific and clinically complex topics central to the specialty of Endodontics. Speakers include Drs. Philip Stashenko, Elliot

Hersh, Rex Holland, Gordon Pringle, Jeffrey Hutter, Christine Sedgley, and Michael Glick. Dr. Ashraf Fouad will represent the American Board of Endodontics and present information on the board certification process from an ABE perspective. Dr. Gary Hartwell will provide a mentor's perspective. The course is directed by Dr. Lamar Hicks.

Of interest to prospective registrants is the attractive location of the conference hotel, which is just a brief walk from the

vibrant entertainment and restaurant rich harbor area of the city. The Baltimore-Washington International Airport, one of the fastest growing and user friendly airports in the country, serves the greater Baltimore - Washington, D.C metropolitan area. Additional information is available by e-mailing the course director at mhicks@umaryland.edu or calling the review course coordinator, Linda Snyder, at 410-706-7285.