AAGFO – Message from the President
7/18/08

Once again, greetings from the shores of Mascoma Lake in Enfield, New Hampshire. Fortunately, the ice melted off the lake just in time for some excellent spring fishing, although for awhile I was beginning to think winter was never going to end. Now, we are into full swing of the summer season of guests and water sports. I’m sad to report that my 1981 Flying Scot, “Blue Moon”, has yet to be sailed after suffering from damage, inflicted by a nasty, June thunderstorm, moments after being rigged for the first sail of the year. The necessary repair work is almost completed… definitely a love – hate relationship!

I am excited about our annual meeting in Phoenix on November 12 – 16. I encourage everyone to attend if possible. Remember to bring a guest. For those of you who have decided not to attend, please reconsider! This is going to be a special meeting run in conjunction with the Academy of R. V. Tucker Study Clubs. The meeting is a “celebration” of the use of gold as a restorative material and the commitment to excellence that quality dentistry demands! I believe our organizations each have their own distinguishing characteristics which should be preserved, yet, in this era of dentistry our organizations share the responsibility to keep gold as an option for our patients. It is not surprising that many of our members belong to both organizations!

Our hosts, the Gold Operative Dentistry Study Club of Phoenix, have been working hard to make this a memorable meeting. The meeting will be centered at the Westin Kierland Resort and Spa in Scottsdale, Arizona, which is tucked amidst the McDowell Mountains and Sonoran Desert. It is a fantastic resort that has something for the whole family. For our clinical session, we are privileged to be able to use the modern facilities of the Scottsdale Center for Dentistry (Mercer Center), a wonderful new post graduate facility that’s committed to providing quality continuing education to practicing dentists. The didactic part of the program will feature Dr. Terry Donovan, Dr. Terry Tanaka and, hopefully, some words of wisdom from Dr. Richard Tucker, Jr. On Saturday night (11/15) there will be a combined FORMAL Gala, Dinner Dance and Awards Ceremony. In addition, if this is not enough to convince you to join us, November is a great time to head south for some warmth and sunlight before winter sets in!

Our Webmaster, Dr. Scott Barrett, has requested that all members go to the website (www.aagfo.org) and verify their personal information, including: name, address, telephone numbers, email address. His efforts to keep our website up to date will only be successful if we all help out!

There is some brief council news to report. Unfortunately, Dr. Bruce Walter,
unexpectedly had to step down from the Executive Council. With guidance from the Nomination Committee the Executive Council has selected Dr. Marc Tollefson to be the new 2010 Councilor. Welcome Marc! I look forward to working with you. Secondly, I am pleased to announce that my fellow study club member and good friend, Dr. Janet Zinter, has been proposed for the 2011 Councilor position.

As it stands now our future AAGFO Presidents and Annual Meeting Sites are:

2009 – President = Dr. Ed Kardong
Site = University of Florida
2010 – President = Dr. Henry St. Germaine
Site = UCLA
2011 – President = Dr. Joe Newell
Site = Marquette University
2012 – President = Dr. Rick Nash - Site = University of Pennsylvania
* Proposed joint meeting with the Affiliated Tucker Study Clubs

2013 – President = Dr. Marc Tollefson - Nebraska

One of the goals of our meeting organizers is to determine the dates of these meetings as far out as possible. We appreciate your patience while we attempt to make this change. It is a work in progress,

Finally, I would like all our members to know how deeply honored I feel to be President of the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators. As a small town, operative dentist, I never imagined that I would be involved with so many quality people from around the world that share the love for our profession! “Thank you” to all the mentors and friends who have made my journey so interesting!

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Andy McKibbin

Minutes for AAGFO Board Meeting
February 20, 2008
2PM

I. Call to Order-Andy
Present: Ed Kardong, Rick Nash, Joe Newell, Barry Evans, David Bridgeman, Mike Cochran and Tim Carlson, Bob Keene

II. Minutes of Previous Board Meeting – October 2007 Accepted as printed in the Gold Leaf.

III. Secretary – Treasure’s Report- The Academy remains in sound financial condition as of this date. We regretfully have received requests from Dr. Mark Modjean and Dr. Walter Kamann to terminate their memberships. They both will be missed. There remains as of the date of your reading four members who have not paid their 2008 dues.

IV. Annual Meeting Reports- Ron Harris- 2007, Henry St. Germaine - 2008 clinical Scientific Sessions – Ed Kardong- He will be working with the Tucker group to plan our lectures for the annual meeting.

Education & Clinical Seminars – Andy McKibbin- It is not certain whether we will have a Master Class at this meeting given the complexities of joint meeting.

Literature & Research – No report

Nominating Committee – Scott Barrett - From the list of nominees submitted, Dr. Janet Zinter was voted as the nominee for the 2011 councilor to be presented for a vote of the membership at the 2008 Annual Meeting. It was also voted to ask Dr. Marc Tollefson to take the place of Dr. Bruce Walter who requested to be relieved of his responsibilities as the councilor elect. Dr. Tollefson accepted.
Constitution & Bylaws – Barry Evans - Nothing to report.

Inter-Academy Liaison – Andy McKibbin – See #V. below.

Distinguished Member – Mike Cochran - Dr. Richard Hoard was selected as our Distinguished Member Awardee for 2008.

Outstanding Clinician – Barry Evans - Dr. Margaret Webb was selected as our Clinician of the Year Awardee for 2008.

Annual Meeting Facilitator
Ron Harris – 2007 Report from Annual Meeting – We had fewer members at this meeting, but those who attended had a fabulous time. Due to the low attendance the net cost to the academy was $2,723.74. Ron and Leverne have no responsibilities for the 2008 meeting, but will start work on the Gainesville location in the fall of this year.

Henry St. Germain - 2008 – Reported that he was well on the way to securing operators for our clinical session. All of the scientific portions of the 2008 Annual meeting will be held at the Mercer Institute there in Scottsdale. This is a brand new postgraduate institute with first class accommodations for the lectures and the clinical portion of our meeting.

Joe Newell - 2009 – We are invited to the University of Florida. October 28-31, 2009 are the planned meeting dates.

V. JOD Editorship Search Committee update – Mike Cochran - Dr. Jeff Platt from Indiana University Dental School has agreed to take on the Editorship of the JOD upon Mike’s retirement.

VI. Report of the Journal – Tim Carlson - The online access to the JOD has increased by 3,000 percent over the past year. Also noted is the reminder that if your dues are not paid in a timely fashion you may miss out on your current copy of the JOD since back issues are not sent when late payment of dues are made to your treasurer. Please do not expect back copies when you send in your dues after the first of February.

VII. Web Page Report – Scott Barrett – The www.goldfoil.org website is up and running thanks to Scott. Please go and check out the contents and report any inaccuracies directly to Scott.

VIII. Gold Leaf Report – Rick Brinker - Rick was congratulated on his first issue of the Gold Leaf. He plans a spring issue and an issue for August. He will need any contributions no later than July 15th. Some discussion followed regarding the publishing of the GL on our website. Rick and Scott will explore that and report back to the council.

IX. Old Business
AGD / CERP accreditation- Work is in progress to place the AAGFO under the AOD for purposes of claiming CEU credits.

Bruce Smith, Jose Medina and Jim Vernetti remembrances – contributions and flowers were sent to acknowledge the loss of these giants. Notes or letters are customarily sent to families upon the loss of a member or spouse when the secretary is so notified.

50th JOD Anniversary Issue report- Keene - We are invited to submit articles and an editorial for three issues of the 2008 publication year. These issues will alternate with the RV Tucker Academy’s submissions. We thank Mike et al for the focus on 50th years of history publishing a journal. Any member having back issues of the original Foil journals, please send them to Bob Keene.

X. New Business
Andy request for study of joint meeting outcome - Andy was to appoint a committee to report back to the council regarding the outcome of our joint meeting with the Tucker group in order to consider repeating a joint meeting in five or so years.

XI. Other Business-
AOD ANNUAL TABLE CLINIC 2009 - Rick Nash has offered to head next year’s table clinic at the AOD meeting in Chicago.

Respectfully submitted:
Bob Keene, Sect/Treas AAGFO
The 2008 Annual Meeting of the Academy of RV Tucker Study Clubs, combined with the Gold Foil Academy Study Clubs, will be November 12 - 16 in Scottsdale, Arizona.

The resort proudly champions Arizona’s colorful history and culture and offers everything you will need on property including over 732 spacious guestrooms and suites, a spa that honors the healing cultures of old Arizona, 27-holes of championship air-conditioned desert golf, water park with a waterslide and flowing river, Kid’s Club, eight unique dining venues, nearby upscale boutique shopping, live entertainment, art and history.

We have reserved a block of rooms at the Westin, but availability is limited, so please book early.
REGISTRATION
RV TUCKER AND AAGFO COMBINED ANNUAL MEETING
PHOENIX, AZ NOVEMBER 12-16

Registering for: (please circle only one) RV Tucker Gold Foil

Name________________________________________ Date___________

Address______________________________________

City________________________ State________ Zip_______

Email ______________________________ Phone (______)________

Please RSVP: Wednesday Reception: #_____; Thursday Dine Around: #_____; Friday Hoedown: #_____; Saturday Gala: #Beef _______ #Fish_______ #Vegetarian_______

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or FAX: (602) 956-8661

3104 East Camelback Rd #145 Phoenix, AZ 85016

Please make checks payable to: RV Tucker Academy (Canadian attendees, please submit checks payable in US Funds).

To register for activities please click on the Activities Link on the rvtucker.org website.
**PHOENIX 2008**

November 12 - 16, 2008

Westin Kierland Resort and Spa
Scottsdale, Arizona

**PHOENIX 2008 Agenda**

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1. Wednesday Evening Welcome Buffet and Entertainment (cocktails are no-host.)

2. Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Snack, Transportation and Lectures on Friday for registrants; guests, spouses and children are not included in these meals.

3. Transportation, BBQ Dinner and Entertainment for all guests, spouses and children Friday Evening (beer, wine and soft drinks are provided at no cost)

4. Transportation, Clinical Operations Breakfast, Lunch and an Afternoon Snack for registrants and from the Scottsdale Center (again guests, spouses and children are on their own) on Saturday.

5. Champagne and Hors D’Oeuvres Reception with entertainment for registrants, spouses and guests. We will arrange for a pizza party for children (included.) Gala Formal Dinner and entertainment for registrants, spouses and adult guests. No-Host cocktails (Saturday Evening)

6. Farewell Brunch Included Sunday (For All.)

The dine-arounds on Thursday Evening are not included, however, the transportation is included.
The associated Gold Foil Study Clubs Meeting was held in May. The following photos and didactic coverage were provided by Dr. Phil Madden. The Chairman of the Department of Restorative Dentistry at the University of Washington, Dr. John Wataha made a presentation: “Resisting the All-Ceramic Revolution”

The following were pearls gleaned from the presentation:

Don’t succumb to the hype of ”metal-free restorations” as all ceramics have metals in them. Metal-free is a myth.

All ceramics are universally biocompatible... is also a myth

There is an assumption that the new ceramics perform in the same manner as feldspathic porcelain which has been around for years... that is clearly untrue.

Myth: Alloy/ceramics (PFM’s) are not esthetic

Myth: Alloy/metal crowns are on the way out. In 2006 there were 50 million crowns done, 33.5 million were PFM’s and 9.5 million were all porcelain.

Risks/benefits: All ceramic requires more tooth reduction, there are debonding problems between the ceramic core and the ceramic overlay

**Conclusion:** Know your alloy/ceramic. Record your materials in the chart notes. Think long term. Customize your restoration for the clinical situation AND use all the tools in your toolbox.
As one of our online administrators, Scott requests members go to the website and verify their personal info including address, phone, and email it would help me keep it up to date.

www.aagfo.org  email to: admin@aagfo.org

Thank you.  See you in Phoenix!!