GREETINGS fellow “Foilers”,
As we begin a new year for our fine academy, I would like to look back at 2011 and give thanks.
We had an outstanding meeting in Indianapolis. Thanks to the attendees, councilors, Tim and Ann Carlson, Ron and Laverne Harris and most of all, our hard working secretary, Bob Keene and his wife, Jean. The AAGFO may be small in numbers but we are truly a family of like-minded individuals.

I would like to remind you to reserve your hotel in Philadelphia for the 2012 combined meeting with the Academy of RV Tucker Study Clubs. Joe Newell and his local arrangements’ committee have been hard at work to insure the success of our 2ND gathering of both academies. The necessary information is on the website: www.aagfo.org.

Thanks go out to Scott Barrett for keeping us up to date on academy happenings.

I would encourage each of us to “spread the word” about the AAGFO. Invite a colleague to study club or better yet invite them to Philadelphia next year.

I am honored to represent this fine organization and I look forward to serving as your president.

Rick Nash

MINUTES OF THE AAGFO COUNCIL MEETING
October 12, 2011
University Hotel, President Room 2 pm

I. Call to Order- Joe Newell

II. Minutes of Previous Board Meeting
   – Gold Leaf January 2011 Issue-APPROVED AS PRINTED

III. Secretary Report –Report- Keene- 2011 has been a year of great loss to dentistry in the deaths of Jim Gourley, Ian Hamilton, Don Benson, Lloyd Baum and Terrill Brown. All of these gentlemen have contributed greatly to our profession. We should remember that their legacies should be held up by us all so that those who follow know these men.

Your secretary is deeply grateful to Barry and Yvonne Evans for taking over the task of the treasury for the academy this year. A three-day visit to their home while making the transfer was a very pleasant experience. They are gracious hosts.

Correspondence-

New Members - We have had two new member applications completed: Dr. Carol Klingensmith from Portland, proposed by Barry Evans and Dr. George Bodeit from Germany, proposed by Dave Thorburn.
ACTION: Voted to approve these new members to the membership at our annual business meeting. [Unanimously approved at the business meeting.] We also have with us at this annual meeting Dr. and Mrs. Marshall Snodgrass from Marshfield, MO. Marshall was inspired to return to foils by our own Bruce Small during a lecture he was giving in St. Louis last year.

Phone Requests – We have had two requests this year for referrals to dentists who provide direct gold restorations.

Outreach – Dr. Jiangbo Yu, a dentist from Qingdao, China, requested foil teaching materials. He was sent foil, instruments and Marty Andersen’s teaching packet. Hopefully someone from our academy will be willing to travel to the school to help them with applying the teaching to their students.

Student Award Program – The number of schools participating in our student recognition program has dropped slowly over the years. This past year there were about 15 schools that participated.

Membership – Our numbers – currently 208 members and following installation of two new members- 210 or a net drop of 6 from last year. Member certificates are not provided to new members until they have paid their dues for the year following their induction.

III. Treasurer Report – Evans- The Academy is in the black. The transfer and working with Quick Books has been a challenge, but they are making headway. The reason QB was being used is that it allows us to generate dues statements and process receipts electronically. The accounts have been reconciled, but we still have some work on cleaning things up for years past.

Annual Meeting Reports – Bob Keene: 31 members and a guest are registered. Tim and Ann Carlson and Ron and LaVerne Harris have done a grand job organizing the meeting space and clinic. We might barely break even cost wise.

Printed Program- Kevin Matis has done a great job for us. It includes our CEU forms that need to be turned in to Kevin before leaving the meeting.

Scientific Sessions – Rick Nash- A well planned group of speakers has been planned. Summary of the speakers may be found on our meeting program and seen elsewhere in the Gold Leaf.

Clinical Session - Marc Tollefson/Tim Carlson – 6 class I’s, 4 class V’s, 1 class III and 7 students who have elected to do class I’s and one class V’s. There is no question that the dental school has really done a great job arranging this session.

Education & Clinical Seminars – Rick Nash-see above.

Literature & Research – Marty Anderson- Nothing to report

Nominating Committee – Henry St. Germain-Nothing to report

Constitution & Bylaws – Berry Evans- Nothing to report

Inter-Academy Liaison – Joe Newell – The new meeting format for our mid-winter will create the need to arrive in Chicago on Sunday the 26th of February in order be on time for our 2 PM council meeting. At this point we do not have the time for the JOD Board meeting to be held that day.

Distinguished Member – Rick Hoard- Dr. Richard D. Tucker 2011- Warren Johnson presenter.


V. Report of the Journal –Tim Carlson- A proposal to consider moving to an electronic version of the JOD is being drafted for a vote at the Mid-Winter Council meetings of all academies. Increasing cost structures for printing and mailing has encouraged consideration of alternatives. The JOD has already moved to an online format. It may be possible that the per issue could be less than it is now. The JOD staff is also moving toward being able to handle the CEUs for our academy. Based on our recent meetings, this service by Kevin Matis has proven very helpful to attending members.

VI. Web Page Report – Scott Barrett plans on reworking the webpage at some point in the future. A discussion making references to articles of interest to students or interested dentists was raised so that cards can be handed out to folks who stop at the table clinic referencing our website. Material can be sent to Scott in Word or jpeg so he can use them. We also discussed making links on the website for obituary items that could be interactive. Scott will be
able to manage written text over time. We are indeed grateful to Scott for his endless efforts in working for the academy.

VII. **Gold Leaf Report** – Rick Brinker- An issue should be available before Christmas this year.

VIII. **Old Business**

- **AOD ANNUAL TABLE CLINIC** - Assigned to Janet Zinter for this annual meeting and for the AOD Tuesday February 28, 2012- location TBD.

- **Secretary Successor** - Dr. Marc Tollefson has agreed to take over this responsibility by phasing in over the next three years. He has picked up the Student Award portion of the duties for this year and upon completion of his Presidential Year in 2013 he will assume the remainder of the duties as outlined in the Secretarial Duties Report [on file] with the assistance of the current secretary.

- **Future Annual Meetings**
  2012- Philadelphia, PA at the Union League.
  Promotional information will be forwarded in the early spring to members of the Tucker and Foil Academies.
  2013- Lincoln, NE - Embassy Suites
  2014- Portland, OR - Benson Hotel
  2015- North Carolina- Craig Bridgeman Local Arrangements

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2011 CLINICIAN OF THE YEAR

The individual selected to receive the AAGFO’s 2011 Clinician of the Year Award has more than fulfilled the criteria set by Mr. Vic William, formerly of Williams Gold, when he wanted to honor a younger member of the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators. The person being honored has made significant contributions in teaching the use of gold both foil and cast in an academic setting. The awardee is also an extremely talented and accomplished operator and an avid proponent in the use of gold both direct and indirect as a restorative and teaching material.

He was born in Long Beach, California but raised in the Bay Area where he graduated from high school in 1978. He completed his undergraduate studies at UCLA in 1982 with a BS degree in Chemistry, went on to receive his DDS from UCLA Dental School in 1986 and in 2001 received a certification in General Dentistry Education.

Upon graduating in 1986 he entered into a private practice partnership with Dr. Mark Cruz in Laguna Niguel, California. In 1991 they formed and founded the first non-academic Tucker Cast Gold study group in Southern California just five years after graduation. He was in private practice until 1993 when he accepted a full time teaching position at the UCLA School of Dentistry.

He is a member and fellow of numerous organizations and academies. To name but a few: Academy of Gold Foil Operators, Academy of Operative Dentistry, Academy of Restorative Dentistry, Academy of General Dentistry, research academies, ADA, etc. He has held or still holds offices or positions in many of these academies. His CV covers areas too numerous to mention in this presentation.

He continues to be a member of an operating gold study club that he co-founded and early on in his study club career was the designer of the Tucker Academy logo pin. He also mentors or has mentored study clubs at UCLA, in Hawaii, Peru and Japan.

Between all of his teaching, offices, research, writing, etc; he finds time to relax by taking mountain treks, driving fast, sporty cars, traveling and cooking gourmet meals. (On several occasions, he has been known to like Pina Coladas and get caught in the rain). He also has served in the Naval Reserve for ten years, attaining the rank of Commander. It is very difficult to comprehend when he finds time to sleep.

This year’s recipient is presently the Chairman of Restorative Dentistry at UCLA and has initiated
courses in cast and direct gold that have inspired students, both undergraduate and post graduate, to form study clubs to further learn and refine the techniques in both direct and cast gold in a study club setting.

In my mind his greatest and lasting contribution to restorative dentistry will be his creative ways, means, incentives and environment that he has created to expose undergraduate and foreign postgraduate students to the bigger world of dentistry. He has found unique ways and means to assist, finance and encourage students to attend the academy meetings in Chicago each year. There they are able to hear and talk with the leading operative and restorative individuals in the world as well as see some of the finest presentations given.

It is hard to believe that this individual was unsure of which direction he wanted to take in his career when deciding during his final year in dental school. It certainly was fortuitous for the profession at large that he chose the path he finally did choose.

It is a very special honor and privilege for me to present to Dr. Richard G. Stevenson III, one of my original study club members, a current member of this academy, an operator who has surpassed my talents; the 2011 American Academy of Gold Foil Operators Clinician of the Year Award.

Presented at the AAGFO Meeting
Indianapolis, Indiana
October 2011 by
Warren K. Johnson, DDS
Contributions made by
Dr. Mark Cruz

2011 Distinguished Member Award

The individual selected to receive this year’s Distinguished Member Award is Richard D. Tucker. To talk about Dick’s superb skills and consistent results is like trying to summit all of the highest peaks on the seven continents. It isn’t easy. Dick as we all know and have observed, is a super clinician and teacher and is more than deserving of this award.

Dick was born in Bellingham and raised in Ferndale graduating from high school in 1967. He attended Western Washington University and graduated with a degree in Chemistry in 1971 and an Education degree in 1972. He attended University of Washington School of Dentistry, graduating with a DDS degree in 1976.

Dentistry has always come hard for Dick whereas upon graduating he took a two week foil course, his state board exam and still found time in the evening for sail boat racing all in this same two week period. As Rick Hoard, a former member of this academy, use to say “Dick is the genetically improved version of his father.” He also has the gifted ability to take complex gold foil procedures and simplify them, thus making the procedures and the results very practical for use in private practice.

Upon graduating he set up his practice in Bellingham, Washington. That same year he joined the George Ellsperman Gold Foil Study Club. He has been or is a member of three other operating study groups.

Dick is a member of the ADA and its constituent societies as well as the American Academy of Gold
Foil Operators, of which he is a past president, Academy of Operative Dentistry, Academy of Restorative Dentistry, Associated Ferrier Study Clubs, CAIC, ACD and ICD.

This year’s recipient has given numerous lectures on both direct and cast gold in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Germany. He has also given many clinical demonstrations on gold foil at meetings in the USA, Canada and Germany.

He is currently mentoring two gold foil study clubs, one in Seattle and the second in Vancouver, Canada. He also conducts a yearly undergraduate elective gold course at the University of Washington School of Dentistry. He is currently the primary instructor for the Tucker Institute Course held each year in June in Seattle also at the University of Washington School of Dentistry.

Dick’s other passions are mountain climbing, skiing, fishing and sailing. He has summited five of the highest peaks on five continents, is on the National Ski Patrol at Mt Baker Ski Area and twice raced his dad’s previous sailboat from Victoria, Canada to Maui, Hawaii.

Dick and his lovely wife Christina have two grown children Christopher and Laura. They have a lovely home overlooking Chuckanut Bay just south of Bellingham where the evening sunsets are spectacular as well as his fabulous crab feeds.

It is my distinct honor and pleasure at this time to present the AAGFO’s 2011 Distinguished Members Award to my good friend and colleague Dr. Richard D. Tucker.

Presented at the 2011 AAGFO Meeting Indianapolis, Indiana October, 2011 by Dr. Warren K. Johnson, DDS
HEAVEN’S ROLL CALL
ROSTER OF DECEDENTS 2011

As I reflect on our members lives and contributions of this past year, both the living and recently departed, I am filled with a sense of awe, wonder, and admiration for the hard won and God given talent displayed by our cadre of men and women. Lifetimes of service and sacrifice by all of you and your families has left a deep and abiding impression on those whose lives you touch and those who were healed on so many levels by those we list here. With deepest humility, gratitude and respect:

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E-Correspondence Of Note

Dear Foil Members,

Are you able to help Gary out with instruments sufficient for his members to start doing class one foils? If so get in touch with Gary Umeda: garyumendadds@gmail.com as per the following emails. Thank you, Bob

On Tue, Nov 29, 2011 at 5:09 PM, Gary Umeda <garyumendadds@gmail.com> wrote:
Bob,
Thanks very much! The members are doing their first Buccal gold foil, so their needs are minimal, but they may want more if they are now available. What do you have? Looking for Ferrier 1, 3 condensers, Spratley, Files, Foil Knife, mallet, lamp, and anything else you may have that you think they will need. They don't know what they need at this point either, so whatever you got to do this foil will be much appreciated. Thanks Bob. The meeting is one the first week of January. We got them covered either way but they are looking to buy to start doing their own foils!

On Tue, Nov 29, 2011 at 11:07 AM, Robert Keene <dmdsmile@gmail.com> wrote:
Gary,
Warm greetings to you and yours!
Yes, I have some from Suter that are available. It would be a help to know the exact ones they want/need.
Let me know or they can get in touch with me. Sorry that they were not at the annual meeting. Tim Carlson was passing a whole bunch of them out for a donation at the meeting. Looking forward to seeing you both at the Restorative meeting. Perhaps we can arrange a time when the four of us can have a ‘real’ conversation.
Regards and peace to you all, Bob

On Tue, Nov 29, 2011 at 12:27 PM, Gary Umeda <garyumendadds@gmail.com> wrote:
Hi Bob,
Hope all is well in your world. There are a few members of our Tucker club looking to do a foil at the next meeting and are looking for foil instruments to buy. Would you know of anyone who might be interested in parting with them? Hope you have a great holidays and thanks for the help. Aloha, Gary
Mission Outreach
This year found members Drs Dan Henry and Dave Bogacz as well as Dr. Bogacz’s daughter on the mission field in Los Chiles Costa Rica. We are in awe of their continual efforts to bring oral health to these remote locales. The following pictures were submitted by Dr. Henry.
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