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AMERICAN ACADEMY OF GOLD FOIL OPERATORS

Minutes of Board Meeting February 1984

On Wednesday, February 15, 1984, the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators met in the Consulate VI-VII of the Westin Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.

The members in attendance were: Dr. William J. Roberts, Dr. Ronald K. Harris, Dr. Nelson W. Rupp, Dr. Julian J. Thomas, Dr. Norman C. Ferguson, Dr. Allan G. Osborn, Dr. Richard McCoy, Dr. Chester Schultz, Dr. Chester J. Gibson, Dr. Richard V. Tucker and Dr. James P. Verneti. The meeting was called to order by the President, Dr. Wm. J. Roberts.

The minutes of the Annual Meeting were adopted as they were published in the Gold Leaf, with one correction, the addition of the name of Dr. Nelson W. Rupp in the list of members present. The financial report, treasurer's report and 1984 budget were read and approved.

Unfinished Business

Student Membership. The secretary reported ten members in the new student membership category. The application form and membership information sheet prepared by Dr. Ronald K. Harris were approved by the Board. The secretary's office was advised to have forms printed and to mail forms and information sheets to Chairman of the Operative Department of each of the dental universities each September. Student members will be invited to join the Academy as Associate Members upon their graduation.

Dr. Charles M. Stebner Instruments. It was reported by Dr. Ronald K. Harris that the gold foil instruments donated to the Academy by Dr. Stebner were presently in use by graduate students of Indiana University School of Dentistry.

Williams-Bonner Proposal. The proposal made by R. V. Williams, Jr. and Dr. Phillip Bonner relating to a public relations program for direct gold was discussed by the Board. The feeling was a need for further study. The proposal will be brought before the group again at the October meeting.

Meetings for 1984-1987. A letter from Dr. Steve Reese, of Emory University School of Dentistry, who will be hosting the Annual Meeting of the Academy in October 1984. It was decided that details of this meeting will be left to the program committee, Dr. William Roberts, Dr. Ronald K. Harris and Dr. Nelson W. Rupp. This group will be visiting Atlanta in April to complete details for this event.

It was announced that Dr. Greg Smith and Dr. Richard McCoy are working on plans for the 1986 meeting to be held in Florida.

The secretary's office announced that Colorado will host the 1987 meeting. Colorado won the vote on the mailout ballot.

New Business

The President announced, with regret, the resignation of Dr. Roy Fetterman from the 1985 Council position. In accordance with the



DR. WILLIAM J. "BILL" ROBERTS

Having been born in Brady, Texas in 1921 surely qualifies me as an "Old Timer". When I was nine years old we moved to Luling, Texas where I lived, except for two years in Kerrville, Texas, until college age. My B.S. degree in Industrial Arts was earned in San Marcos, Texas at Southwest Texas University. Then on to the Navy Air Corps for pilot training. My claim to fame there was that John Glenn was one of my classmates

at the Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi. My time in World War II was served as a pilot and landing signal officer aboard a "jeep" carrier in the South Pacific. Being a landing signal officer was one of the most exciting times of my life!

In Louisiana, after the war Beatrice and I were married. We now have three beautiful daughters, Linda, Kay and Nell. Linda Setzler, a nurse, is married to Dr. Paul Setzler, a successful and personable dentist here in Houston. Kay Hodlick, a retired dental hygienist, presently resides in Port Townsend, Washington. Nell Womac, an artist, lives in Fort St. John, B.C., Canada. We have been blessed with four terrific grandchildren, three boys and one vivacious girl.

Since graduating from UTDB in 1950, dentistry has been very good to me! There is no other way then through the organized dental society that I could have met so many outstanding dentists and have been offered the learning opportunities we all have. Since graduation I have met and known the most respected dentists locally through the Omicron Kappa Upsilon honorary dental society. The American College and the International College have introduced me to their highly stimulating standards and ideals. The high point of every year is the meeting of the Operative and Restorative Academies at the Chicago Mid-Winter Meeting. The four days of mind-boggling programs leave one with his head swimming with new ideas and current research. The Presidency of the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators this year has offered many interesting challenges and rewards by working with dentists of similar ideals.

"Good Dentistry is fun! Over the last thirty-three years I have learned that good, conservative dentistry is most satisfying and rewarding. Inlays and ¾ cast gold crowns versus full porcelain coverage, fixed bridges where possible versus removable prosthesis, and especially gold foils leaves one filled with personal satisfaction. In the long run the rewards will come through loyal appreciative patients and the tangible benefits will take care of themselves."

Dentistry is my main hobby. I truly enjoy doing my gold work and have spent many happy hours both here at the office and at home carving wax. Woodworking is my next love and therapy. I also enjoy underwater photography and have been fortunate enough to win some contests with these photographs.

by-laws the President then appointed Dr. Allan Osborn to fill the unexpired term.

Dr. Roberts also appointed Dr. Nelson W. Rupp to the Journal Board to take the expired term of Dr. Harold Schnepfer.

Dr. Julian Thomas and Dr. Norman Ferguson were asked to research and report the cost of manufacturing the Gold Foil pocket badges and possibly making them available to membership.

Committee Reports

Membership: Dr. Richard Hoard, Chairman
3 applications for new members
5 members resigned

Public Relations: Dr. Richard McCoy, Chairman

Education: Dr. Robert Allen, Chairman

Literature & Research: Dr. Chester Schultz

Journal: Dr. Ian Hamilton, Editor

Special Clinician: Dr. James P. Verneti

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Nell M. Faucett
Administrative Assistant*

FROM THE OPERATIVE ACADEMY



Gold Foil presentations at the recent meeting of the Operative Academy included a section under "Helpful Hints:" from Dr. Gregory Smith of Florida, and a table clinic from the Winnipeg Ferreir Society demonstrating Gold foils, Porcelain Inlays, and cast Gold Inlays—entitled "Operative Dentistry for the fun of it". (The work presented included work by Dr. Norman Ferguson, Dr. Allan Osborn, and Dr. Richard Tucker).

PROPOSED FOIL COURSE

A proposal is presently under study whereby funding would be made available to run introductory and more advanced courses in Gold Foil at Northwestern University.

The courses would be primarily for Dental Faculty members to enable them to acquire sufficient, and comfortable, expertise to teach gold foil in their respective schools.

The commercial organizations involved include Williams Gold, American Dental, Hygenic, Ivory, Hu Friedy, Thompson Dental and Suter Dental; and the professional organizations American Academy of Gold Foil Operators and Academy of Operative Dentistry.

Dr. James Verneti Visits Eastern Seaboard

At the behest of the New England Study Club AAGFO Special Clinician, Dr. Jim Verneti completed a highly successful educational tour through the Eastern Seaboard, in the late fall of 1983.

The presentations, made at Tufts, Boston College, Harvard, Dalhousie (Canada), Buffalo and Connecticut, all received very positive reviews from Faculty, and more particularly from the Students involved.

The didactic portions of the courses were followed wherever possible by practical clinical teaching. Individuals from the New England Study Club assisting at Tufts with the technique course.

After a fourteen hour day with Tufts, Boston and Harvard, the following day, Friday, was spent giving lectures to the New England Study Club.

On the Saturday Dr. Verneti acted as special Guest Mentor along with Dr. Medina over a clinical session of the New England Study Club.

During this time a stop was included at Buffalo to consult on the movie being produced by the Williams Gold Co. Those closely related to, or working in the production of the foil were most appreciative of a presentation on the manner in which it is used.

January found Jim Verneti in Vancouver to give a continuing Education course, Dr. Mike Balanko arranged for the senior class and the operative Faculty to attend a lecture the day before the course.

COMMITTEES

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

1. Ronald Harris *Nelson*
2. Nelson W. Rupp
3. Steve Reese
(Local Arrangements)

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

1. Richard Hoard
2. Art Johnson
3. Earl Collard
4. Dick Tucker

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

1. Richard McCoy
2. Chester Gibson
3. David Bales
4. Len Silverglate
5. Allan Osborn

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

1. Robert Allen
2. Bruce Smith
3. Thomas Larsen
4. Cliff Miller
5. Frank K. Eggleston

LITERATURE & RESEARCH COMMITTEE

1. Chester (Jack) Schultz
2. Lloyd Baum
3. Michael Cochran

4. Doug Roberts
5. Ian A. Hamilton

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1. Norman Ferguson *WILLIAM J. ROBERTS*
2. Harold E. Schnepfer
3. Perry Dungey

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1. Chester J. Gibson
2. Ian Hamilton
3. George Ferguson
MELVIN R. LUND

NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

1. James Verneti

DISTINGUISHED MEMBER COMMITTEE

1. Melvin Lund
2. Gerald D. Stibbs
3. Anthony Romano
JACK SEYMOUR

SPECIAL CLINICIAN COMMITTEE

1. James Verneti
2. Jack Seymour
3. Jack Freese
4. Paul Dawson
5. Jose Medina
6. Harold E. Schnepfer

What is happening to our Legacy of Gold Foil?

Each day's mail brings suggestions that you and I are not practicing dentistry the way we should. One letter implies that their laboratory is superior and cheaper than all others including yours. Another letter suggests that your business procedures belong to the ages. Other information received implies that unless you sell your soul to work for the company store, you will be left behind. I do not believe any of these, or the countless other suggestions that imply only quantity is important, not quality.

I went into dentistry because I wanted to do for people what Dr. Ralph Boelsche did for me. I entered dentistry to provide quality treatment for patients whose lives are important to me. I am interested in their wants and fears, their successes, and their disappointments. I was given a legacy of caring about patients and letting the numbers take care of themselves. I was given a legacy of providing the best dentistry that my mind and hands can produce—not perfect—but giving it my best attempt.

You know who your dental heroes are. You know who stimulated you to go into this great profession. You know the pride that you feel when completing a procedure and thinking to yourself, "I wish he could see this."

Enamel is sacred; dentine is sacred; pulp is sacred; gingiva is sacred; bone is sacred. More than any of these, however, the trust in

you by your patient is the most sacred of all. That is the legacy given to each of us practicing today. That is the legacy which must not die with us. We must pass it on. We must do for someone else what was done for us.

For us to survive the onslaught of those who would cheapen our profession, of those who would thrill to see us belonging to a trade, of those who would gain at the public's loss, we must continue the tradition and pass on the legacy.

I challenge you to choose a younger dentist to help. Invite that dentist to visit your office. Indicate your willingness to help when problems occur. Go to the meetings together. Send that dentist some patients. (Remember how many dentists did that for you? Let him know that quality lasts and that he can have a fine practice when his main concern is how well he finished a procedure, not how fast.

If we pass on our great heritage, our legacy of quality and caring, then our profession will remain intact. Our heroes took the time to pass the legacy to us. What wonderful benefits we share because of them. Our responsibility is to pass on to our younger colleagues those same values. Dentistry—a noble legacy—pass it on.

Frank K. Eggleston, D.D.S.

New Members and Membership Status Changes

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Potpourri

- Paul Loflin was invited to speak to the University of Pittsburg on Direct Gold.
- Dr. Lund and his Indiana Group has carried the torch to several Military Installations, and to the University of Michigan.
- Dr. Nelson W. Rupp will be special guest Mentor at the Winnipeg Ferrier Society which will hold its annual spring clinical, lecture

and banquet meeting on 28th April.

- The Associated Ferrier Study Clubs will be holding their annual meeting in Seattle on Friday 11th May. A morning clinical session will be followed by various sporting events (where golf balls may take strange turns) and on evening banquet. Guest speaker for the evening will be Dean Karl-Ake Omnell (U. of Washington).



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