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President's message

It is the beginning.

My presidency has had a very quick start, and the almost three months were filled with many activities. I am seeing that more activities may hold good news for the specialty issue.

The ADA Task Force on Specialty and Specialty Certifying Board Recognition is seeking input from the communities of interest on a proposal to establish the National Commission on Recognition of Dental Specialties and Certifying Boards. Now, we are working towards being the leaders in Facial Pain and Temporomandibular Disorders. I would like to thank our colleagues Jim Friction, Jeff Crandall and others, for their continuous efforts to deliver a strong message to the dental community and the ADA leaders.

Look for a letter from Jim and Jeff, in the next couple weeks, explaining the new developments, in more detail, about the winning lawsuit in Texas.

A few weeks ago, I had asked all the membership to take part in restoring the history of the American academy of orofacial pain. Again, I ask all the members, especially our senior members and former leadership, to step forward and provide for me every picture, document or any other piece of history which may help restoring our archive. We are back to taking pictures at the our annual meetings; which is a great idea to show the dental profession our membership and programs.

Social media — we know about the power of social media — Facebook, Instagram, Youtube and others. Please try to share the AAOP Facebook and be part of it. We are working with a company called Rage Agency, who is working tirelessly to deliver our messages through Youtube and Facebook.

I encourage you to communicate with other members through the members Forum on the website; this participation keeps the information in our archive. Further, I ask that all the committees, especially the committee chair, use the Members Forum to connect and discuss the committees issues.

Moreover, we need to increase our non-dues revenue, such as programs like the GLOVES program. It's a great program! We've been working on this program for three years, and finally, the Industry relation committee approved the program. Here's how it works: If you order gloves and other dental supplies through the program, AAOP gets 4%. For each dollar you spend, AAOP gets 4 cents in non-dues revenue. I urge you to start ordering through the program. Many thanks go to Jeff Goldberg for his enthusiasm and hard work on this committee.

Finally, I want to congratulate the members who passed the ABOP oral exam who will now be candidates for fellowship status. Please congratulate, John Daugherty, Caron Holes, Eugene Kulaga, Alberto Malacrne, Shawn McMahon, Danielle Medynski, James Roblee, Alexander Smith, James Vic and Richard Yeh.

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AAOP, President

Upcoming meetings

18th Congress of the International Headache Society.

- When: September 7 – 10, 2017
- Where: Vancouver, Canada.
- [Register here](#)

Upcoming meetings

European Academy of Craniomandibular Disorders

- Where : Barcelona, Spain
- When : 28,29 and 30 September 2017
- [Register here](#)

Upcoming meetings

Mid Year Symposium on Sleep Medicine & Orofacial Pain

- When : Saturday November 11, 2017
- Where: Chicago, IL
- [Register here](#)

Association Gloves & Supplies Program

Dear AAOP Members:

You can now save money and improve your bottom line by purchasing exam gloves, masks and disposables like bibs and sterilization pouches from Association Gloves & Supplies, which has won the endorsement of the AAOP. Association Gloves & Supplies offers a wide selection of gloves from eight leading brands including Ansell, Crosstex, Cranberry, EcoBee, Halyard Health, Plak Smacker, Innovative Healthcare Corp., Microflex and Sempermed.

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- ❖ Free samples,
- ❖ Great service
- ❖ Special pricing exclusively for American Academy of Orofacial Pain members
- ❖ Free shipping

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Useful resources

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[The American Dental Association](#)

[The Academy of General Dentistry](#)

[American Board of Orofacial Pain](#)

[AES - Leaders in Occlusion and TMD](#)

[American Headache Society](#)

[International Association for the Study of Pain](#)

[American Pain Society's Decade of Pain Control and Research](#)

[Physical Therapy Board of Craniofacial & Cervical Therapeutics](#)

[Quintessence Publishing](#)

- The pictures from AAOP 2017 meeting held in Arizona are now available. Please click [here](#) for the album



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