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GLAO 2021 Annual Session



Register for the Annual Session by September 14th to receive the discounted rates!

Make your hotel reservation before the room block cut-off on Sept. 21st!

Click here for more Annual Session Details!

We look forward to seeing you in Indianapolis in October!

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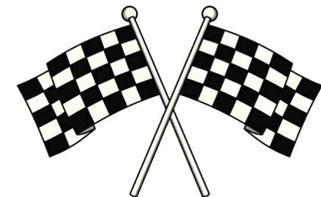
President's Report

In auto racing a white flag signals the start of the final lap. As our Indianapolis annual session quickly approaches (October 14th-16th), the white flag is flying on my term as your president and the "yard of bricks" is just a few more turns around the oval.



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The call to start my engine for this race began virtually, amid the pandemic and pre-vaccine. Following a unique start, the subsequent months have continued to provide plenty of "interesting" laps around the track. Through each of the obstacles and the yellow caution flags flying in the air, the entire GLAO leadership team has remained steadfastly focused on serving your needs and representing your concerns. We have worked tirelessly to meet the unprecedented challenges of a global pandemic.



[Click Here](#) to read more.

AAO Trustee Report

The AAO has a three year strategic plan that acts as a compass to guide the House of Delegates and the Board of Trustees toward the best uses of AAO resources. The plan has three major

goals and objectives: 1. Promote and Defend our Specialty; 2. Engage and Delight our members and 3. Drive Transformation and Innovation. I would like to report to you about what we are achieving in these areas.



Dr. Michael W. Sherman
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With the use of funding that comes from the AAO Component Legal Support Fund (CLSF) and with the hard work of the legal and advocacy departments we can see the difference that the AAO is making at the level of the State /Provincial Dental Boards and in state legislatures. For example, In February 2021, a bill (H 6032) was introduced in the Rhode Island State Legislature to provide coverage for telemedicine under Rhode Island Medicaid. However, there was no provision for teledentistry. At the last minute there was an amendment introduced that would have prohibited the board of Dentistry from imposing a different or a stricter standard of care on teledentistry than on dentistry provided in person. However, In July of this year and as a result of the efforts from the AAO, Rhode Island AAO members, RIDA, and Rhode Island dentists, the amendment language prohibiting the Board of Dentistry from promulgating certain teledentistry rules was removed.

[Click Here](#) to read more.

2021 GLAO Election

GLAO 2021 - 2022 ELECTION RESULTS

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2022 DELEGATES & ALTERNATE DELEGATES

Dr. Jashleen Bedi (2022-2023)

Dr. Allison Bergdoll (2022-2023)

Dr. Aron E. Dellinger (2022)

Dr. Richard Kulbersh (2022)

Dr. Valerie D. Martone (2022)

Dr. John F. Monticello (2022-2023)

Dr. J. Martin Palomo (2022)

Dr. Walter W. Schratz (2022)

Dr. Drew Smith (2022)

Dr. Josephine Weeden (2022)

Congratulations to all those elected!

Thank you to all the members who voted!

University Spotlight

**Fifty Years of Graduate Orthodontics at Western University
- The Future Looks Bright!**

by: Len Chumak
DDS MCID FRCD(C)

It is difficult to believe that next year, we will be celebrating 50 years since the start of the Graduate Orthodontic Program at Western University in London, Ont.

In 1972, six years after the dental school was established, Dean Wesley Dunn had the vision to establish the first specialty program at the school. Dr. Stuart Hunter was recruited from Ann Arbor, Michigan, to be the chair and Dr. David Way, a local London orthodontist, retired his practice to become the clinic director. The first four students were admitted to the program in July 1973. At that time, the duration of the program was 24 months. In 1994, an expanded curriculum was introduced, extending the program to 34 months, with admissions reduced to three students per year to maintain a desirable student-faculty ratio.



Dr. Mamandras is credited with "creating a 25-year legacy of exceptional outcomes for students and patients" at Western, which is commonly represented by University College, shown here. The Dr. Antonios Mamandras Chair will be the first endowed chair in a Canadian graduate orthodontic program and the first at Western's dental school.

Over the past 50 years, the program has graduated more than 160 orthodontists. The graduates are given the designation Master of Clinical Dentistry (MCID), which is unique to the program at Western, and emphasizes the focus on clinical training. Presently, our alumni practice in all 10 Canadian provinces, eight American states, as well as in Australia and Ghana. The first Indigenous orthodontist is also a Western graduate.

Dr. Betty Cragg was the first female orthodontist to graduate from the program in 1983. Notably, the present incoming class of 2023 is composed of three female residents. Selected from a pool of over 40 qualified applicants, we welcome these three women who originate from Alberta, Nova Scotia and Dublin, Ireland, into the program.

Orthodontic treatment mechanics have changed significantly during this time period. Fifty years ago, all teeth had to be fitted with metal bands. Bands were eventually replaced with bondable brackets and today patients are treated with metal brackets, invisible ceramic brackets, or clear aligners. In the not-too-distant future, it is believed that half of all orthodontic patients will be treated with clear aligners.

[Read the Full Article](#)

2021 GLAO Dr. David C. Hamilton Distinguished Service Award to be presented to Dr. Chris Roberts

The **GLAO Dr. David C. Hamilton Distinguished Service Award** is presented to individuals who have dedicated themselves to serving the interests of the GLAO throughout their careers. Their contributions exceed the commitments and duties of any elected or appointed office in the association. Prior recipients of this distinguished honor include:

- 2016 Dr. Thomas L. Ahman
- 2011 Dr. John F. Buzzatto
- 2006 Dr. Terry Pracht
- 2000 Dr. John Lindquist
- 1997 Dr. Dale Wade
- 1996 Dr. David Hamilton



The Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists is proud to present this year's award to **Dr. Christopher A. Roberts** of Findlay, OH. This award is presented in recognition and grateful appreciation for his contributions - both to the GLAO as an organization, and to the orthodontic profession in general. His efforts are deeply appreciated by his GLAO friends and colleagues. **This award will be presented to Dr. Roberts during the GLAO Annual Member Business Meeting during the GLAO 2021 Annual Session on Friday, October 15, from 4:30-5:30pm at the Hyatt Regency Indianapolis.** Please plan to join us in recognizing Dr. Roberts and his contributions to the GLAO and the orthodontic profession!

[Click here](#) for Dr. Roberts Biography

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY RETIRED MEMBERS!

Dr. Ronnie L. Anderson - *Dublin, OH*
Dr. Peter L. Chapman - *Indianapolis, IN*
Dr. Charles P. Fenell - *Chesterland, OH*
Dr. Kent Floreani - *Sault Ste. Marie, ON*
Dr. Jeffrey Gilmore - *Marietta, OH*
Dr. M. Donald Hayes - *Wilmington, OH*
Dr. Michael J. Kehoe - *Dryden, MI*
Dr. Richard Marcus - *Toronto, ON*
Dr. Neil L. Pooler - *Wooster, OH*
Dr. O. H. Rigsbee III - *Carmel, IN*
Dr. Christopher A. Roberts - *Findlay, OH*

MAO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Friday, September 24, 2021

Suburban Collection Showplace
Novi, Michigan

maortho.org



Michigan Association of Orthodontists (MAO) Annual Conference

You are invited to join the MAO on Friday, September 24th for the MAO Annual Conference to be held at the Suburban Showplace in Novi, Michigan. Dr. Lisa Alvetro will be addressing both doctors and staff with her topics titled "Let's Go Digital" and "Strategies for Creating an Empowered Team." Dr. Mo Hakim will also be presenting a pain management talk, "The Orthopedic Approach to Temporomandibular Joint Pain."

[Click here](#) for more information or to register. Both doctors and staff are welcome to attend! Registration cost is the same for GLAO members and MAO members.

ABO News and Information

The ABO is Proud to Announce that Board Certified Orthodontists now Represent **54%** of AAO Membership

In July, the ABO conducted another Scenario-based Clinical Examination. The next exams are scheduled for **November 2021 and February 2022**. Interest and demand in these examinations continues to be solid with most examinations reaching full capacity.

Examinations take place at testing centers worldwide with travel to St. Louis no longer required. Examination components and testing criteria have not changed with the only accommodation made on how answers are submitted. The examinations continue to be scored by multiple ABO examiners. Study guides, sample cases and preparation materials are continuously updated as valuable resources for those wanting to take the examination and are located on the [ABO website](#). Complete details on how to register for upcoming exams can also be found on the website.

[Click here](#) to read more.

AAO PAC

PAC Report

The AAO thanks the following GLAO doctors who have contributed to the PAC through July of 2021: Drs Ryckman, Beckwith, Karpac, Wolford, Martone, Reed, Featheringham, Dellinger, Clark, Rinaldi and Sahlaney.

GLAO contributions to the PAC through July 2021 total **\$6049**

This may be compared to other Constituencies for the same period.

- MASO- \$2836
- MSO- \$5650

- NESO- \$6550
- PCSO- \$13208
- RMSO- \$1144
- SAO- \$32765
- SWSO- \$10283

In a time of legislative debates, impending tax changes, and technologies that affect how we practice and profit, our PAC dollars are increasingly vital.

If you have not contributed to the PAC this year, there is still time. The contributor's list has plenty of empty slots!

The simplest way to contribute is by automatic debit from a personal credit card. Any amount is helpful. A contribution of \$250 per year (or higher) would be considered positively Olympian. Log onto the AAO Member website and click on the Advocacy tab. You will find the AAO PAC link listed (<https://www2.aaoinfo.org/advocacy/aaopac/>). It's so easy.

The AAO has brought in additional counsel, Nathan Mick, who has set about to reinvigorate and energize our PAC. I suggest we help him out.

Respectfully submitted,
 Dr. Phil Beckwith
 GLAO AAO PAC Director

AAO Council Reports

Below are links to the most current reports.

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Council on Governmental Affairs

[Report](#) (as of 02-24-21)

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Council on Membership, Ethics, and Judicial Concerns

[Report](#) (as of 08-06-21)

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[Report](#) (as of 02-02-21)

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GLAO Information

Proposed Bylaws Amendments & Membership Dues

Members will have an opportunity to discuss or testify regarding proposed BYLAWS amendments at the **GLAO Annual Member Business Meeting on Friday, October 15, 2021, 4:30am-5:30pm at the Hyatt Regency Indianapolis, in Indianapolis, IN.** A Vote on these proposed BYLAWS amendments will take place at that time. Note: "BYLAWS may be amended at any session of the General Assembly by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legal votes cast."

At the 2021 GLAO Annual Member Business Meeting, a change to the GLAO dues will be proposed.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the proposed amendments and proposed dues.

2021 Lindsey O. Kesling Orthodontic Resident Scholarship Award

TP Orthodontics, Inc. in partnership with the GLAO, offers scholarships to residents attending orthodontic programs in the GLAO region. The Lindsey O. Kesling Orthodontic Resident Scholarship Award was created by TP Orthodontics, Inc. to give back to the orthodontic community in a way that helps residents, by easing a small part of their financial burden. Applicants submit an essay on humanitarian / volunteer efforts made by the resident during their years of attendance at their orthodontic residency program.

The 2021 scholarship recipients will be announced during the GLAO Business Meeting on Friday, October 15th from 4:30pm-5:30pm. We look forward to recognizing these residents who are making a difference in their communities!

Scholarships are available annually and are due by February 15th of each year. For more information, visit www.glao.org. Thank you to TP Orthodontics, Inc.!



TP Orthodontics, Inc.



Lindsey O. Kesling

ORTHODONTIC RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Call for Award Nominations!



Consider nominating a GLAO colleague for an award! See the GLAO website (www.glao.org/membership/awards) for a nomination form and a complete listing of all awards, descriptions and past recipients. Nominations will be accepted by the GLAO office through October 29, 2021.

Consider Serving the GLAO in a Leadership Capacity!

GLAO Delegates to the AAO:

The AAO House of Delegates is the ultimate governing body of the AAO and meets every year at the AAO annual session. Members of the Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists serve as our representatives to the AAO House of Delegates. Delegates and Alternate Delegates are elected annually by the GLAO membership. Those elected will serve a two-year term.



The GLAO Nominating Committee is seeking interested and qualified candidates to serve at the AAO House of Delegates.

[Click here](#) to view the position description.

If you are interested in serving the GLAO as a Delegate at the 2023 and 2024 AAO House of Delegates, please submit a letter of interest to the GLAO office at GLAO@AssnOffices.com by March 1, 2022. If you have any questions about this position, please contact the GLAO office (877-274-6420; GLAO@AssnOffices.com). Thank you for your consideration!

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Complimentary On-Demand Education Opportunities from the GLAO

As a service to our members, the GLAO 2020 Virtual Annual Session held on September 26th was recorded so you can watch or share with your staff, at your leisure.

In addition, Staff Education Programs are also available. These programs have been provided by our partners, to assist GLAO members with staff development and training.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access these educational programs.

Get Connected

We want you to be informed of resources and opportunities in the GLAO! This information will come to you via email, AAO Mobile App push notifications and the GLAO Members Only Group on Facebook! Be sure to get connected and stay connected by following the instructions below! Get the most out of your GLAO membership!

- Make sure the AAO has your current **email address** on file. We use that email address to stay in touch with you via e-blast like this one.
- Download the **AAO Mobile App!**
 - *Download the iOS Version of the App:*
 - If you have older AAO meeting-only apps on your device, begin by deleting those apps.
 - Open the App Store, search "AAO Member App," then tap FREE*.
 - *Download the Android Version of the App:*
 - If you have older AAO meeting-only apps on your device, begin by deleting those apps.
 - Visit the Android Play Store, search "AAO Mobile," then tap INSTALL.
- Join the **GLAO Member Only Group on Facebook!**
 - [Click Here](#) and sign into Facebook and join the group. Once we confirm you are a current GLAO member your request will be accepted.



CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR GLAO MEMBERS:

You can view these opportunities and more by registering for the AAO's Practice Opportunities & Careers online service, which connects registered members seeking orthodontic career opportunities ("seekers") with those who have opportunities to offer ("providers"). Registering as a provider or seeker can be completed in just a few minutes by following these steps:

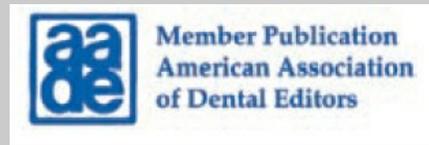
1. Visit www.aaoinfo.org/careers.
2. Click "**Become a Provider**" or "**Become a Seeker**" and log in with your AAO username and password.
3. Complete and submit the user agreement with your electronic signature (e.g., /s/ John Smith).
4. **If you are a provider**, click "Post Opportunity" to enter information about your opportunity. **If you are a seeker**, click "Post Seeker Profile" to create a profile and upload your CV/resume.

If you have questions or need more detailed directions, view frequently-asked questions (FAQs) linked below for providers and seekers or contact Lauren Snowden at lsnowden@aaortho.org or 800-424-2841, ext. 587.

Provider FAQs: www.aaoinfo.org/provider-FAQs

Seeker FAQs: www.aaoinfo.org/seeker-FAQs

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