Continuing Education
“Immediate Loading in Oral Implantology”
with Dr. Louie Al-Faraje
March 27th, 2015

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The Academy of General Dentistry’s mission is to represent and protect the interests of general dentists in regard to public health and to advance the knowledge and proficiency of general dentists through quality continuing education so that we may better serve the public.

Hello, I am Edwin Batchelor. I am honored and privileged to serve as the current president of the Wisconsin Academy of General Dentistry. Since graduating from University of Missouri Kansas City School of Dentistry in 1986, I realized that my dental knowledge and education was a lifelong endeavor. The Academy has been key and instrumental for providing CE opportunities and reliable consumer information.

The Wisconsin Academy of General Dentistry board members give generously of their time and energy to promote and encourage the advancement of our profession. I encourage and invite input from you as to how we may better serve you.

Respectfully,
Edwin T. Batchelor, DDS, FAGD
President, Wisconsin AGD

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The 2014 Detroit National AGD Convention was a place to learn, govern, converse with colleagues, explore the "The Great Comeback City", and have a little fun! Our Michigan hosts pulled out all the stops to show us their great city of Detroit. What a beautiful river walk and downtown, and the BBQ was amazing. Our governing body passed two important resolutions; we will be opening the AGD to international membership and we will be separating the yearly governance from the national convention. We look forward to seeing you in 2015 in San Francisco!

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The Board of the Wisconsin AGD welcome these new members:

Virginia Scott, DDS, MAGD

WiAGD Editor

Dr. Joyce Brothers wrote, “In each of us are places where we have never gone….Only by pressing the limits do you ever find them.” I know when I try something new, whether a new procedure, a new product or piece of equipment, or joining the WiAGD Board and becoming the Mirror editor I experience that uncomfortable feeling of anxiety. I’m thinking that some of you may also experience that feeling with a new challenge. But isn’t it a wonderful feeling, that sigh of relief when we have accomplished our goal.

The opportunities for our growth will be different for each of us, and may come in surprise packages. I know that I learned new things, and that I accomplished something that if asked 6 months ago I would have said, “No way can I edit a newsletter.” I also know that new challenge that stimulates you to a new level. Who knows, you may be as surprised as I was to find that this newsletter is possible because of the support I received through input and guidance and the great articles others contributed. This has definitely been a team effort, and I am very appreciative of all the support.

The AGD can help and be a source of growth through CE, mentorship, or involvement in the organization. There are many members who are willing to assist you in your challenges and meet your goals. Who knows, you may be as surprised as I was to find that new challenge that stimulates you to a new level.

Virginia Scott, DDS, MAGD

WiAGD Editor

I had the privilege of attending the 2014 AGD Leadership Development Symposium in Chicago. What a fantastic weekend of learning, networking, and fun. We learned the strengths and weaknesses of a leader, how to combat our weaknesses and improve and practice our strengths. We all did a DISC personality assessment, so we could reflect on how we influence our family, patients, those within our practice and the AGD community. Knowing our personality’s better we are then able to learn how to interact and encourage others with different personality strengths than our own. Knowing ourselves more fully offered insight into which area we could best be of service to the AGD. Fun was had by all, we had a networking social the first evening where I had a chance to speak with our National President, Dr. Carter Brown, our Vice President Dr. Mark McDonald, and our Treasurer Dr. Mohammed Harunani. During those discussions, they helped me identify my strengths and on which committee I could best help serve the AGD. It was a great event. If you would like to volunteer to serve the AGD in a local or National role please contact me at christygagewski@gmail.com. I look forward to seeing you all at our next WiAGD CE event; Dr. Louis Al-Faraje “Immediate Loading in Oral Implantology”, register online at www.wiagd.org.

Dr. Christy Gajewski
WiAGD Vice President

2014 Academy of General Dentistry Leadership Development Symposium

From left to right:
Dr. Michaelangelo Aust WiAGD Continuing Education Committee Chair
Dr. John Olsen, MAGD Region 9 Director, Leadership Development Symposium Committee Chair
Dr. W. Carter Brown, FAGD, AGD President
Dr. Christy Gajewski, WiAGD Vice President
Region IX Director’s Report

Dear Region 9 constituents of Wisconsin and Michigan,

I am proud that I have been elected for a second term as your Regional director. One of my voluntary responsibilities to you as AGD members is to be your go to person and to help relate any queries or problems that you might have with your membership to the AGD Board and Executive Council. Please feel free to communicate any and all questions you might have about the AGD’s role to you in membership, continuing education, advocacy and your advancement in the Academy. As AGD members we all strive to advance in our educational responsibilities to ourselves and for our patients. That is why we all need to set our educational goals toward the Fellowship and Mastership awards. Michigan is now actively putting together a Master track program and Wisconsin has had an active program in association with Illinois. I used to write the Fellow exam for many years. The exam is fair but extensive enough to be challenging in the several disciplines of dental practice. Young and older practitioners should make an effort to improve their education with the advancing Fellow and Master awards. Right now I am working toward my second Life Long Learning and Service award. This is another one of the ways I show my patients I keep up on all the present and new concepts in dentistry.

Another of the responsibilities of the Regional Director is to help find and mentor leaders in the Academy. This year the AGD is putting on the 2014 Leadership Development Symposium in Chicago on November 21st-22nd. As chair of this symposium our commitment is to foster new and uprising AGD board members from all the 17 regions. My personal congratulations to the three from our region: Michaelangelo Aust, DMD, FAGD from Wisconsin, Colleen DeLacy, DDS, FAGD from Michigan, Christy Gajewski, DDS from Wisconsin. As time goes on I hope this symposium provides our academy with strong dedicated future leaders like the individuals we now have on both boards.

Please check out the new updated web page for the AGD. One great service on the web page is the answers to questions like acid erosion to teeth, veneers, root canals and many other questions your patients might have. If you print it up your header is printed at the top to distribute or bog about.

Thank you all for what you do in dentistry!

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Congratulations to our Newest Fellows and Masters!
The convocation was held in Detroit at the National AGD convention. For more information on how to attain the awards of AGD Fellow and Master, please visit www.agd.org!

All Region IX Fellow and Mastership Awardees

Wisconsin Awardees (left to right)
Tanner J. McKenna DDS, FAGD, Sun Prairie;
Virginia Scott DDS, MAGD, Pardeeville;
Edwin Batchelor DDS, FAGD, Madison

Wisconsin President elect
Dr. Ed Batchelor being interviewed by AGD TV

Wisconsin Awardees (left to right)
What a Ride It Has Been!

Since taking my second term as President of the Wisconsin AGD in early 2012 my goals were very simple, create value for our members with quality CE, identify/recruit future leaders for our Board and provide a consistent, responsive meeting schedule. During my term, we strived to provide varied programs to meet the needs of our individual members with offerings on TMJ/occlusion from Dr. Jim McKee, Social Media with Dana VanDenHeuvel and Balancing the Oral/Systemic Environments with Dr. John Comisi. This varied fare was done to find CE that was outside the standard norm and appeal to the wide spectrum of interest we find with our membership. We established an Annual Membership Appreciation Day that provided a free full day seminar for our WiAGD members as a thank you for their support and as a value added membership benefit. This has been popular not only as a CE event but also it gives us an opportunity as a Board to get feedback from membership and properly recognize our new Fellows and Masters. In 2015 the CE calendar is filling up with an exciting CE event March 27th, 2015 featuring Dr. Al-Faraje on “Immediate Loading in Oral Implantology.” See inside the Mirror for more information. A Fall 2015 Membership Appreciation seminar is being planned and date and place will soon be announced. Check back on the WiAGD website for more information. With the help of our friends in the Michigan AGD, Trustee Dr. Sam Shamoon and Dr. Dennis Charnesky, we have been able to improve the structures and systems to improve the delivery of quality CE. I want to offer many thanks to that generous group. For several years we have worked in close association with the Illinois AGD as a co-sponsor of the Illinois Wisconsin Master Track Program. Many WiAGD members have benefited from the quality, cost effective CE offerings, great food and fun associated with the CE offered in Illinois. We appreciate the close ties and friendships we have developed over the years with the Illinois AGD and benefited from the wisdom and mentorship of Dr. Sy Wachtenheim. At the national level, as president of the AGD I have had the honor to represent the WiAGD as a delegate at two Annual AGD meetings in 2102 in Philadelphia and in 2013 in Nashville. Also, I had been given the opportunity to Exercise my passion for political action with attendance at AGD sponsored Political Advocacy meetings in Washington, DC in 2012 and 2014. Being at these events allowed me the opportunity to meet and interact with leaders of the AGD, seeing close up the quality and depth of these individuals, their dedication to our Academy and to the dental profession. It is truly a humbling experience to be around them and a challenge for me to emulate. Last, I want to thank our dedicated WiAGD Board who have hung in there for the many meetings, teleconferences, emails, etc. The infusion of new BOD members, Drs. Gajewski, Reckelberg, Aust and Scott, has been an energy shot to our long-term members (John, Len, Peter, Lou, Rick, Ed). Your encouragement and hard work have made my job so much easier. Our Regional Director, Dr. John Olsen is a force of nature and I enjoyed the time we worked together. I look forward to making the walk with you. Your incoming President, Dr. Ed Batchelor has served as our Treasurer for the past several years and is always organized, prepared and will be a dynamic leader; he will serve our organization well. Thanks to all for your input and emails, we appreciate hearing from you. Please consider serving on the WiAGD Board, it is work but the intrinsic rewards and friendships are lasting, priceless in and out of dentistry.

Chris J. Hansen, D.D.S., F.A.G.D.
Past President, Wisconsin AGD

Our Fall WiAGD Board of Directors meeting was a very successful event. We are very excited about our future continuing education events and getting student dentists involved in the AGD. We also took time to thank Dr. Chris Hansen, outgoing WiAGD President, for all of his years of service! Welcoming Ed Batchelor as our President Elect. (Presenting the gift is Dr. John Olsen, Region IX Director)
I told myself- I am finally done! Not so fast, said Dr. Sy, you haven’t yet achieved your LLSR (Life Long Service Recognition.)

Let’s fast-forward to what that springboard has done for me. I met two mentors in Dr. Leonard Machi (past president of the WiAGD and current Board of Director) and Dr. John Werwie (past WiAGD president), who both opened their offices to me to learn and become motivated to understand implant dentistry. I went to the Misch International Implant Institute, and went through both the prosthetic and a few years later the surgical continuums. Well, the AGD was always on my mind, so I continued to photograph my cases (even the failures), and to document all the cases I performed. This habit allowed me to effortlessly get my Fellowship, Mastership and Diplomate in the International Congress of Oral Implantologists. By now the quest for the best information, the best courses and self-fulfillment led me to pursue the Diplomate in the ABOI or American Board of Oral Implantologists/Implant Dentistry. Again I was studying everything from pharmacology and anatomy, as well as prosthetic principles, and I would ask myself why are you doing all of this studying? Well, the review course taught by Dr. James Rutkowski alone was worth challenging the boards. It was the best review course on implant dentistry I have ever taken! The materials they sent home with me to learn were worth the price of admission alone. I felt that I had met more amazing dentists on my journey and had a true Deja Vu experience studying for the DABOI, just like I was studying for the FAGD exam. I began to realize that these awards meant very little to others but the journey was everything to me.

I am a general dentist. I joined the AGD to take good classes and track my C.E. credits. I had just decided that as long as I am practicing a profession I love, perhaps I should continue to get better, to learn and practice at as high a level as I personally could achieve. The article I wrote on General Dentistry As A Specialty sums up my feelings on the role continuing education should play in your career. So I ask all of you, “What do you do to enjoy your profession?” We have had to cancel two of our C.E. courses due to poor attendance. As a member of the board we have tried to ask people what they need and want for quality C.E. and we still don’t understand what the Wisconsin AGD dentists want. We are fortunate to have leaders in the Wisconsin AGD that are general dentists who are truly specialists in Implants, Sleep Apnea, Pathology, Dermal Fillers and Botox, TMJ, and Cosmetics. These leaders help to put on quality continuing education and preserve our rights as general dentists to perform all aspects of dentistry at the highest levels! The letters after our names may seem like alphabet soup with the awards we have achieved, but in reality they are crafted from a love of life long learning, pursuit of our ideals, diligence, discipline, and a patient centered and evidence based dental pursuit of our own self-actualization. I invite all of our members to write, call and participate in our programming. Please drum up interest in the AGD and help us become the leaders of continuing education and the pursuit of excellence that our charter mandates. I invite all of you along with me on my journey! Where will your journey lead?

Sincerely,
Richard B. Winter
Master Academy of General Dentistry
Diplomate International Congress of Oral Implantologists
Diplomate American Board of Oral Implantologists/Implant Dentistry
Fellowships International College of Dentists
and Academy of Dentistry International

ALPHABET SOUP
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One Dentist’s Journey

Why do you belong to the AGD? To track C.E.? Discounts for national meetings? Insurance Discounts? Well this is an article of why I got involved in the AGD and the journey it has taken me on. After graduating from the University of Minnesota’s School of Dentistry in 1988 I got to join a practice with my father and brother. That gave me incredible insight in to how much I DID NOT know about dentistry. So with my father’s love of continuing education, I was motivated to start taking courses to fill in the gaps left by a 4-year dental education. I took courses by Harold Shavel, Lloyd Miller, Peter Dawson, Jack Turbyfill and others. It wasn’t long before I started questioning denture techniques, esthetics, centric relation and began a journey that I am still on 26 years later.

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After taking several AGD sponsored courses and realizing that I would need to track these hours I started my track toward Fellowship in the AGD. The 600 hours of C.E. seemed like a lot but I was already amassing a lot of C.E. and thought it should go toward something. That’s when I took a serious look at becoming a Fellow of the Academy of General Dentistry. This was my organization, as they thought it should go toward something. That’s when I would need to track these hours I started my track that I am still on 26 years later.

I thought this was good I was DONE! Not so fast said Sy Wachtenheim, the Illinois AGD Mastertrack coordinator and another of my many mentors. You can take world class C.E. right here in Chicago. You get homework to do that you are already doing in your practice, and before you know it you can become a Master in the AGD. Well, I decided to take these weekend long participation and lecture courses and see where they led. I would find myself working on my slides—yes I didn’t have a digital camera when I began my journey—and realized that presenting my homework was exciting, challenging and rewarding. The day I received my Mastership award in San Diego my family was present and it was one of the most exciting days of my dental career. The background of the USS Midway was spectacular. That’s it.

JADA PRINTS AGD’S VIGOROUS OBJECTION TO IMPLANT ARTICLE (Dan Buksa)

In response to a July Journal of the American Dental Association (JADA) article on implants which insinuated that general practitioners have higher failure rates in placing implants than to specialists, AGD Editor Dr. Roger Winland took the article’s author to task by pointing out significant flaws in the study. Dr. Winland’s response appears in JADA’s October issue. Specifically, Dr. Winland noted that the published data fail to either support or defeat the hypothesis, and concludes that such misconstruing of data is inappropriate and inflammatory. Similarly, Dr. John Comisi, Speaker of the AGD HOD, wrote in the same JADA issue a separate letter to the editor in his capacity as an investigator in the retrospective study. Dr. Comisi notes that conclusions of the implant article are inappropriate as is the title, which causes a reader to draw incorrect conclusions.

AGD JOINT COUNCIL MEETINGS TO FOCUS ON EDUCATION STRATEGY (Beth Hayson)

The AGD Dental Education Council will be meeting with other councils to discuss the future of AGD’s Education during this weekend’s Joint Council Meetings. During this interactive brainstorming session, councils will be helping to formulate an Educational Strategy for the association based on the takeaways from the Educational Summit. The information shared and discussed during this session will be critical in moving AGD forward.

AGD 2015 ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM FINALIZED (Audra Rothermel)

The program for AGD’s annual meeting is nearing completion and full-scale marketing will begin soon. The meeting, which will be held June 18-21 in San Francisco will feature an “innovative technology in dentistry” theme that will be reflected throughout the scientific sessions. Included in the program: Dr. Samuel Low in GAIN PERIO/RESTORATIVE ACCESS: Flaps and Lasers: A Workshop and Dr. Ronald P. Morris in Everything You Wanted to Know About Oral Surgery But Were Afraid to Ask: Advanced Implant Placement. Leslie Canham, CDFA, RDA, will lecture on Got OSHA & Infection Control? and California Dental Practice Act. The exhibit hall will feature a dental office of the future and an e-poster competition for dental schools, as well as American Dental Assistants Association lectures and participation sessions.

NEW PUBLIC SERVICE ADS LAUNCHED FOR KID’S HEALTHY MOUTHS CAMPAIGN (Lauren Henderson)

The Academy of General Dentistry, in cooperation with the Ad Council and other organizations, recently launched new Public Service Ads (PSAs) for the Kids’ Healthy Mouths campaign. In an effort to educate parents and children about the importance of good oral health habits, the Partnership for Healthy Mouths, Healthy Lives—these new PSAs, portray humorous depictions of life lessons, making the point that while parenting can be tricky at times, getting kids to brush for two minutes, twice a day can be simple.

FOUNDATION’S FOCUS ON ORAL CANCER GAINS MEDIA COVERAGE (John Thorner)

The October 27 edition of Dental Tribune contained prominent mention of the AGD Foundation’s recent decision to focus on oral cancer. The Foundation’s change in focus also was made prominent on AGD’s dues renewal form and all members were sent a press release of this action. Meanwhile, the Foundation is proceeding with plans to again offer free oral cancer screenings at the upcoming AGD annual meeting in San Francisco.

PRACTICE MANAGEMENT COLLABORATION PRODUCES SAVINGS FOR MEMBERS AND UNBUDGETED NON-DUES REVENUE FOR AGD (Sunita Varadarajan)

In the first three weeks of promotion and collaboration with Charles Blair & Associates, sales of Dr. Blair’s 2015 “Coding with Confidence” guides have yielded thousands of dollars in savings for AGD members and some additional non-dues revenue for the AGD. For information on how to purchase these guides go to www.practicebooster.com/AGD.

Dr. Leonard Machi, past president of the WiAGD and Diplomate in the ABO/ID congratulates Dr. Richard Winter, a new ABO/ID recipient.
Immediate Loading in Oral Implantology
With Dr. Louie Al-Faraje

Schedule
March 27th, 2015
7:30 AM- Registration
8:00 AM-12:00 PM Lecture
12:00-1:00 PM Lunch
1:00 PM- 5:00 PM Lecture

Program Site
Radisson Milwaukee West
2303 N Mayfair Rd, Milwaukee, WI 53226
(414) 257-3400

CE Credits
7 hours of CE credit will be awarded for attending the course

Send Registration and Check To:
Dr. Christy Gajewski 1206 N. 16th Ave., Wausau 54401
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Space is Limited - Register Early

Make checks payable to: Wisconsin Academy of General Dentistry

Due to the anticipated large number of participants, there will be no confirmations sent for this seminar

New Dentists!!!

Two (2) full Scholarships will be made available at each program to AGD member dentists who have graduated less than 3 years ago!

For more information contact:
Dr. Christy Gajewski- christygajewski@gmail.com

Course Summary
Immediate loading is one of the most important innovations in oral implantology. Immediate loading has a very high degree of predictability as long as the clinician understands its rules and limitations.

This one day program on immediate loading by Dr. Louie Al-Faraje is for all dentists doing implants. It is designed for non-surgical dentists and their surgical colleagues as well as advanced implant practitioners.

Dr. Louie Al-Faraje will cover the correct, scientifically based guidelines for technique along with the correct prosthetic applications. The last hour of the program will be dedicated to the principles of the guided bone regeneration that must be followed for long-term success.

Topics:
Biologic background
Biomechanics in immediate loading
A systemic review of the literature
Diagnostic techniques
Sound Clinical protocols for the single, multi, and full-arch cases
Impression techniques
Prosthetic options
The All-On-Four technique
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