2015 has been a great year so far. I hope everyone enjoyed our resort meeting at Charleston Place in Charleston, South Carolina in April. It was a wonderful venue and was well attended. We had great speakers in Lilly Cortes-Pona, President of Julie Weir Consulting and Daniel McNeff, President/CEO of Legally Mine. Lilly spoke on The Future of Pediatric Dentistry: Adapting to the Changing Environments and Thriving. Daniel spoke on Understanding Legal Tools: The Key to Lawsuit Prevention and Tax Reduction. There were good reviews and found both to be very educational and entertaining.

The Academy hosted another stellar Annual meeting in Seattle last month. They seem to get bigger and have more attendees every year. It speaks to the quality of our Specialty and its organizations.

It’s now that time of year we all learn to love. The days are longer. All of our patients are out of school and we get really busy. I sat in the stands tonight watching my two young sons play their last baseball game of the season and couldn’t quit thinking about that being what I cherish the most about summer. The office and everything good and bad that go with it all seem to fade away as I watch them run around the bases. Win or lose, it doesn’t seem to matter to them or myself. I’m sure each one of us has that certain thing that we cherish the most this time of year. Make sure you get out there and live it.

I hope to see each one of you in Buckhead in January. Please mark your calendars for January 15-17, 2016. Note that it changes from our normal 2nd weekend in January to the 3rd weekend this coming year due to some long term scheduling rotations with the Ritz. It will revert back to the 2nd weekend January 2017. We have great speakers lined up in Dennis McTigue and Sue Seale. We will send out more info at a later date.

Enjoy your summer, I sure plan on it.
Although it has taken a few weeks I believe I have finally caught my breath from the Annual Session in Seattle. Wow, what a great meeting! Not only did local arrangements outdo themselves as usual but the Scientific Program Committee continues to provide our members with a broad range of relevant topics to our profession with quality presenters. All that being said my favorite was still the keynote address by Frank Abagnale (“Catch Me If You Can”). What an incredibly entertaining life story delivered by such an humble caring man. As has been trending this Annual Session was the most well attended in our academy’s history and nothing suggests that this will change anytime soon. Next year San Antonio will host the AAPD and we look forward to seeing you there.

We’ve had our usual week of springtime weather and it’s off to the Summer! I know we’re all staying busy with the kids out of school and several of the states are having their annual sessions but let me urge y’all to review the AAPD’s list of CE courses offered this Fall. Of particular note is the Dental Assistants Course: Sedative and Medical Emergencies in the Pediatric Dental Office in conjunction with the similar course for the pediatric dentist (Orlando, October 23-25). Also, A Symposium on Important Oral and Cutaneous Lesions in Infants and Children (Las Vegas, December 4-5) looks really interesting.

Healthy Smiles Healthy Children continues its success in providing grants providing access to dental care for thousands of children. During the Annual Session an anonymous donor has pledged matching funds for up to a million dollars over this next year so if you plan on including HSHC in your giving your donations will be doubled.

Lastly, there have been several “issues” that have surfaced over the past six months ranging from Medicaid reimbursement to pediatric dental publicity. I will never pretend to have all of the answers but I do sincerely appreciate our members allowing me help get them in touch with the proper “problem solvers” at the AAPD home office. Please do not hesitate to contact me for anything. My email address is babeitel@comcast.net and cell number is 256-508-7577. Thank y’all for allowing me to serve and have a great Summer.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian
HIGHLIGHTS OF THE RESORT MEETING IN CHARLESTON, APRIL 2015
Dr. Dennis J. McTigue is Professor of Pediatric Dentistry at The Ohio State University College of Dentistry. He is a Past-President of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry, of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and of the Academy of Dentistry for the Handicapped. His research interests involve dental injuries to children and guidance of child behavior in the dental office. He oversees the Dental Trauma Clinic at Nationwide Children’s Hospital and serves on the editorial board of Dental Traumatology. He has maintained a private practice in pediatric dentistry for over 35 years.

Title: Urgent and Emergent Care for Dental Injuries in Children

This program will explore new methodologies in managing traumatic dental injuries in children. Challenging clinical cases will be presented and discussed in an interactive format. This evidence-based dialogue will include the following issues:

- Tissue regeneration techniques currently applied in treatment of necrotic, immature permanent teeth.
- Sequential steps in managing “lost-cause” permanent incisors, including decoronation and interim prostheses.
- Review of currently accepted treatment guidelines for traumatized teeth
- Treatment options for intruded permanent and primary incisors
- Update on permanent tooth avulsions
- Complicated fractures of permanent teeth
N. SUE SEALE, DDS, MSD

Dr. N. Sue Seale is Regents Professor, Department of Pediatric Dentistry, Baylor College of Dentistry, Texas A&M Health Science Center in Dallas, Texas. She was Chairman of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at Baylor from 1986 until 2009 where she still teaches one day a week. She served on the Board of Trustees of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry from 1999-2002, was named AAPD Pediatric Dentist of the Year in 2001, and received their Merle C. Hunter Leadership Award in 2003. She is a diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry and a Fellow in the American College of Dentists and the International College of Dentists. She is currently Editor in Chief of Pediatric Dentistry and has published over 90 manuscripts in peer-reviewed journals and mentored numerous Master’s students’ thesis project.

Title: An Update in Pediatric Pulp Therapy

The purpose of this presentation will be to present recent, evidence-based approaches to pulp therapy for cariously involved vital primary and young permanent teeth. The first segment of the program will focus on pulp therapy for the primary dentition. Current best evidence for a variety of pulpotomy techniques and agents, including formocresol, electrosurgery, laser, ferric sulfate, MTA and sodium hypochlorite with emphasis on the controversy surrounding formocresol, will be discussed. Indirect pulp capping as an alternative to pulpotomy will be presented along with the mounting body of evidence supporting this technique in the primary dentition. Radiographic follow-up including alternative criteria to determine success following pulpotomy will be discussed. Finally, evidence supporting different approaches to non-vital primary tooth pulp therapy will be reviewed.

The second segment will focus on vital pulp therapy for immature permanent molars. The latest information about the carious lesion of dentin and the pulpal response to caries with emphasis on lesion type will be reviewed. The differences in closed versus open carious lesions and how this affects treatment decisions will be presented. Increasing attention is being paid to the techniques of indirect pulp treatment in permanent teeth called partial caries removal and step-wise excavation, which provide more conservative and biological approaches to caries removal. Recent best evidence supporting these techniques as well as the traditional, one appointment indirect pulp capping technique will be presented. Topics included are: how to perform the technique of partial caries removal and step-wise excavation and the changes that occur within the tooth during the process; the advantages of stepwise excavation over one-step IPT related to lesion type in young permanent teeth.
Sunday, January 17, 2016

Dr. John Unkel and Dr. Amber Presson Rogers,

Topics: Utilizing Procedural Sedation at Alternative Sites for Pediatric Dentistry.

Dr. John Unkel
Dr Unkel earned his doctorate of dental surgery from Northwestern University in Chicago, Illinois and went on to complete a pediatric dental residency at the Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh and his hospital pediatric dentistry fellowship at The Children’s Memorial Hospital in Chicago, Illinois. He received his medical degree from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia and completed his medical residency at Virginia Tech/Carilion Clinic. Dr Unkel has previously served as an academician, residency program director and department chairman. He has held positions/committee appointments in the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, American Board of Pediatric Dentistry, American Academy of Pediatrics Virginia Chapter, Southeast Society of Pediatric Dentistry, Society of Pediatric Sedation, Virginia Chapter of Pediatric Dentistry, College of Diplomates of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry and the Commission on Dental Accreditation. He currently serves as a community clinician, residency director, medical director and site leader for pediatric dentistry at the Bon Secours Health System in Richmond Virginia. His research interests include areas of dental – medical interaction.

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Friday, January 15th

Continental Breakfast........................................7:30 - 8:30am
Registration & check-in.................................7:30 - 5:00pm
Lecture.............................................................8:30 - 10:00am
   Dr. Dennis McTigue
Break...................................................................10:00 - 10:30am
Lecture.............................................................10:30 - Noon
   Dr. Dennis McTigue
Lunch................................................................Noon - 2:00pm
Lecture.............................................................2:00 - 3:15pm
   Dr. Dennis McTigue
Break................................................................3:15 - 3:45pm
Lecture.............................................................3:45 - 5:15pm
   Dr. Dennis McTigue

Saturday, January 16th

Member’s Business Meeting Breakfast.7:30 - 8:30am
Lecture.............................................................8:30 - 10:00am
   Dr. Sue Seale
Break...................................................................10:00 - 10:30am
Lecture.............................................................10:30 - Noon
Lunch................................................................Noon - 2:00pm
*Resident’s Program...........................................Noon - 2:00pm
Lecture.............................................................2:00 - 3:15pm
   Dr. Sue Seale
Break................................................................3:15 - 3:45pm
Lecture.............................................................3:45 - 5:15pm
   Dr. Sue Seale
Reception: Honoring Past Presidents.....5:15 - 6:15pm

Sunday, January 17th

Continental Breakfast........................................7:30 - 8:30am
Lecture.............................................................8:30 - 10:00am
   Dr. John Unkel & Dr. Amber Prosser Rogers
Break................................................................10:00 - 10:30am
Lecture.............................................................10:30 - Noon
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Future Annual and Resort Meeting

2016 Joint Resort Meeting with the SWSPD
The Hyatt French Quarter, New Orleans, LA
September 29 - October 2
Stay tuned for additional information.
CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

The first bylaws were written in 1966.

Calling all Past Presidents.

Join us at the 2016 Annual Meeting so that we might recognize and celebrate 50 years of service to the profession.

All past Presidents are cordially invited to attend the meeting. Your registration is complimentary.

A reception will be held on Saturday evening to celebrate 50 years and recognize our Past Presidents.