

2015

KAO Directors Report

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the KAO Director this year. The SAO Board of Directors meeting was held on Saturday, March 14th, 2015. The following is a brief summary of the topics discussed at this meeting and the year in review for 2014-2015.

Please make plans to attend the SAO Annual Meeting in Orlando on October 1-4, 2015. The location is perfect for adults and families. The meeting schedule is top notch and you will be sure to have a great time!

New and Young Orthodontists Program

- FREE Registration for doctors who have been out of residency for less than 5 years

graduating on or after October 1, 2010

- Service Project at Give Kids the World Village

- Lectures by top notch speakers

- Orthovation - the "Office of the Future" in the Exhibit Hall along with many of your trusted vendors



Dr. Gary Inman – becomes a Trustee for the AAO

Gary Inman, DMD, an orthodontist with offices in Elizabethtown, Campbellsville, and Glasgow, Ky, has been elected by the Southern Association of Orthodontists (SAO) as its trustee on the AAO Board of Trustees. He was elected and installed at the 115 Annual Session of the American Association of Orthodontics. Congratulations to Dr. Inman and thank you for your hard work and dedication to the profession of orthodontics.

SAO Leadership Program

We had an outstanding group of orthodontists in the leadership class for 2015. They represented diversity in practice models, gender and years since graduation. Interested in sharpening your leadership skills? Want to meet other leaders around the Southern Association?

Apply for the next SAO Leadership Program in 2017, Call SAO Office at (800) 261-5528

AAOPAC Committee

Thanks to Dr. Thomas Baldwin, KY State Captain for the AAOPAC who has been working to increase donations to our AAOPAC. Please consider joining the AAOPAC to support our voice in Washington.

AAO

Thanks to Dr. Chris Howell for serving as the Kentucky Delegate to the AAO again this year. His leadership and thoughtful insights have served our profession well.

Executive Director, Heather Hunt

Two new items that have come under the direction of our new Executive Director will be part of the fall meeting this year.

- Orthovation – The Orthodontic Office of the Future

Orthovation is a unique exhibit hall experience. It is a self-contained Orthodontic office that will highlight in application, location, and function new and cutting edge technology. In part due to the excitement from this unique feature and the hard work of the committee the exhibit hall has sold out for the fall meeting.

- Give Kids a World Village

In response to surveys and input from new and younger members, the philanthropic portion of the meeting has been expanded with the opportunity to donate time and work at the Village, donate money and bid on auction items. Please take the time to look at this amazing charity.

Give Kids The World is a non-profit organization that exists only to fulfill the wishes of all children with life-threatening illnesses and their families from around the world to experience a memorable, joyful, cost-free visit to the Central Florida attractions, and to enjoy the magic of Give Kids The World Village for as long as there is a need.

Over 140,000 children have had their dream come true at Give Kids The World. No child in need has ever been turned away – and no child ever will. Give Kids The World is a place where families find joy, laughter, serenity, and a lifetime of memories. Through the tireless support of our volunteers, employees and generous partners, we dedicate each and every day to these special families.

Sincerely,

Jeri Stull DMD, MS

KAO Director