President's Message 2012

Summer 2012

Greetings to all KAO Members,

I have written to remind you of our annual KAO meeting this August in Louisville and to keep you informed of some other important dates and notes for the remainder of the year.

This year's KAO meeting will be held on **Friday**, **August 24**th **2012** at the **Marriott-Downtown Louisville** (280 West Jefferson). It will again be a great opportunity to catch up with friends and colleagues and earn valuable continuing education credit for your practice. We will also have our annual business meeting and election of officers during our lunch break.

This year our speaker will be **Dr. Jason Cope** of Dallas, Texas. **3M Unitek** has graciously agreed to sponsor Dr. Cope's expenses and many of the costs to produce this year's meeting. Dr. Cope is a recognized innovator in the field of orthodontics, and an international lecturer and prolific author. He received his Doctorate, Certificate in Orthodontics, and PhD in craniofacial biology from the Baylor College of Dentistry. He also serves as an adjunct associate professor in the Department of Graduate Orthodontics at St. Louis University, and has lectured in North America, Central America, South America, and Australia. His presentation will focus on TADs, self-ligating and lingual appliances, with many other insights to incorporate into your daily schedule. Dr. Cope will discuss how to simply, but effectively, differentiate your practice.

It has been a pleasure to serve as your current KAO President this year. With the help of the previous and current KAO Board of Directors, and the fine folks at the SAO it was a pleasure to serve. It was also a great opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with a hardworking and progressive group of professionals.

Please remember to mark your calendar for the SAO meeting in Asheville, at the Grove Park Inn, September 26-30. Several outstanding speakers will be present for staff and doctors, with golf, fly-fishing, and other activities planned. I also encourage you to check out the **SAO 2013 Leadership Program**. This is another great means to network within our profession and take home some new pearls for your practice. More information may be found at www.saortho.org or from the SAO Office (800.261.5528).

I look forward to seeing you at the Marriott-Downtown Louisville on Friday, August 24th. Registration can be done online at www.kaoortho.org or by mail with the flyer you received in June. Rooms are still available at the Marriott (502.627.5045) at the **KAO special rate** until **July 12**th. Have a great summer!

See you in Louisville,

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