President's Message Fall 2010

Our annual KAO meeting will soon be upon us. This year our meeting will be held at the Marriott Hotel-Downtown Louisville (280 West Jefferson) on Friday, August 27, 2010. As in previous years we will have a morning and afternoon scientific meeting with lunch and business meeting in between. This year our speaker, Dr. Anoop Sondhi, is being graciously sponsored by 3M Unitek.

Dr. Sondhi received his dental degree from the Indiana University School of Dentistry, and his postgraduate certificate and M.S. in Orthodontics from the University of Illinois in 1977. Following his graduation, he was on the graduate faculty of the Department of Orthodontics at Indiana University. During his full-time academic appointment at Indiana University, he maintained a part-time private practice. Since 1988, he has been in full-time practice in Indianapolis, and continues to be a Visiting Professor for several graduate programs in Orthodontics. He has presented seminars and continuing education coursed to several dental and Orthodontic organizations in the United States, and has been invited to give courses in many other countries over the years.

This year during our lunch meeting we will be voting on changes in our bylaws which have not been updated since 1997. The main changes allow us to be covered under the AAO's liability umbrella, allow our Secretary/Treasurer to serve a longer term bringing greater continuity to this position and finally brings the position of AAO Delegate for Kentucky and the Kentucky Director's position onto the KAO Board as voting members. All of these changes will benefit the membership and have been fully reviewed by the current KAO Board, the SAO Executive Director and the SAO President. We have enclosed a hard copy of the proposed bylaws changes in this mailing. As you may imagine, this mailing is expensive but is mandated by our existing bylaws but has been revised in our new bylaws to allow "publishing" in any format allowing electronic communications to take place which will decrease costs and increase ease of publishing of all documents.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the **Marriott Hotel-Downtown Louisville on Friday, August, 27.** Registration and breakfast will begin at 8:00 a.m. Rooms are still available at the Marriott at the KAO special rate and can be obtained by contacting the hotel at **502-627-5045.** Registration can be done online at www.kaortho.org or by using the flyer you have previously received.

In closing, I have enjoyed serving our membership over the years and look forward to many more years in organized dentistry.

Sincerely,

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