Dear Colleagues and friends,

It is an honor to write my first President’s Message as the newly inducted President of the American College of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. Thank you for the opportunity and for your trust. I will do my best to serve you this year.

I would like to thank and congratulate our Immediate Past President, Dr. Jon D. Perenack, for his guidance, leadership, and vision in directing our College and accomplishing so much during his tenure.

In case you missed it, our 37th Annual Scientific Conference and Exhibition in San Juan was a total success! We had great attendance, excellent educational programs highlighting the latest on pediatric maxillofacial surgery, wonderful speakers, fun activities, and time to relax with friends and family. The camaraderie that is the hallmark of the College was very evident. We had the privilege of honoring our 2016 W. Harry Archer Award Winner Dr. Cesar Guerrero, and I am grateful to all the attendees, to our team of staff professionals in our Washington, DC headquarters for always doing such an amazing job, and to my co-chair Dr. Stephanie Drew, whose support was the key to making this meeting a very special one. Special thanks are owed to our Puerto Rican colleagues, particularly to Dr. Lidia Guerrero, Chair and Program Director at the University of Puerto Rico, for all of her help and support.

I am becoming President at a time when the College is full of energy and enthusiasm. Thank you to Dr. Stephanie Drew for her amazing work as Chair of the Committee on Continuing Education. She has revamped our educational offerings with multiple cutting-edge courses, hands-on programs, and new educational activities. Among our new endeavors is the ACOMS Learning Center which provides CE credits for online education—much of which is a free benefit of membership in the College. It is almost impossible to pass up these amazing learning opportunities and more are on the way. (continued on page 2)
Drs. Jeff Bennett and Pat Vezeau are leading our “Question of the Week” which allows members to have a quick update in the latest topics of our specialty. This question bank is a great resource for a weekly challenge, or you may sort the questions by keyword for a deeper review by subject material.

I would like to welcome our three new Regents to the Board: Drs. Ben Kur, Deepak Krishnan and Pat Vezeau. We know that your time and expertise is very valuable and so thank you for your service and support to the College.

I am looking forward for an extraordinary year full of excitement. We will keep adding to our array of educational activities with superb and cutting-edge courses in various topics of the oral and maxillofacial surgery specialty.

Increasing national and international exposure of our entire educational program to all members and non-members will be our priority, as well as making the community aware of all the advantages that the College offers.

With confidence in my team and your continued support, I am excited for this upcoming year and its success in making the College stronger.

Best regards,

Pedro F. Franco, DDS
ACOMS President
ACOMS Committees serve the College by focusing on areas of concern to the membership. Each committee is led by a chairperson and as many members as needed to carry out its function. We thank the following individuals for their commitment to serve for the 2016-2017 committee term:

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Saturday and Sunday lectures are followed by "fireside chat" sessions—informal case presentation sessions to enable attendees to spend additional time investigating the topic of their choice in greater depth, ask questions and discuss cases with members of our faculty.

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**RECRUITING NOW:** ACOMS.ORG/BOOTCAMP
The Board of Regents announced the establishment of the **Elaine A. Stuebner Scholars Award** (the Stuebner Award), a new program intended to provide opportunities for female oral and maxillofacial surgeons, on April 9 at a gala event during the 37th Annual Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Named in honor of the first woman certified as a diplomate to the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, the Stuebner Award will fund one female surgeon annually to attend scholarly meetings organized by ACOMS.

The Stuebner Award is intended to introduce female surgeons to the College, allow opportunities for ACOMS to mentor them, provide opportunities for the award recipients to network with fellow colleagues, and engage their participation in activities of the College. This will be a competitive scholarship program under the direction of the Committee on Continuing Education.

To mark the introduction of this new program, Dr. Stephanie Drew delivered a stirring presentation on the contributions of women in oral and maxillofacial surgery at our recent conference followed by a champagne toast. Attendees then moved to a terrace overlooking the Atlantic Ocean for a buffet dinner with Caribbean entertainment, dancing, and more celebration. This event was made possible by the founding sponsors of the Stuebner Award: KLS Martin,Straumann, and Neodent.

The award will include a scholarship of up to $5,000 intended to provide tuition, lodging, and travel to an ACOMS course or meeting of the recipient’s selection, as well as one year of complimentary membership in ACOMS. The program is competitive and applicants will be required to submit an essay with the topic determined each year by the Committee on Continuing Education. More details will be announced soon. Individuals and companies interested in supporting this fund are highly encouraged. Details are available at acoms.org/stuebner.
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Dr. Elaine Alice Stuebner graduated from the Cook County Hospital oral surgery residency program in 1958. On October 1, 1960 she became a member of the American Society of Oral Surgeons (ASOS), which later became the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS). Dr. Stuebner was the first woman certified as a diplomate to the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

Dr. Stuebner’s career in surgery was full of leadership roles in our specialty. After attending dental school at the University of Chicago, she served a one-year internship at the University of Illinois research and education hospital. The following year she served as a resident in the department of Anesthesiology. In 1957 she became an oral and maxillofacial surgery resident at the Cook County Hospital training program. After completing residency, Dr. Stuebner became full time faculty at University of Illinois College of Dentistry and trained dental students and residents alike in both surgery and anesthesia. She was appointed professor in the Department of Oral Diagnosis.

Dr. Stuebner was very active in the dental profession. She was the second vice president of the American Dental Society of Anesthesiology. She was president of Upsilon Alpha. She was a member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon Honor Society and had fellowship in the American College of Dentists. She also was elected as a distinguished practitioner of the National Academies of Practice.

Dr. Stuebner passed away on June 28, 2007. No one can argue that Dr. Stuebner not only broke the glass ceiling but gave back to the profession through lifelong learning, mentoring and leadership.

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Residents Corner

Congratulations to our 2016 Resident Abstract Competition Winners!

Scientific abstracts from 25 oral and maxillofacial surgeons, OMS residents, dental students, and other dental specialists were submitted for presentation at the ACOMS 37th Annual Scientific Conference and Exhibition, April 9-12, 2016 in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Nine outstanding abstracts were accepted each for oral and poster presentation at the meeting. Abstracts from OMS residents were enrolled in our Resident Abstract Competition, with cash prizes awarded to the winning authors.

First Place – winner of $1,000:
**Age-Related Differences in BMP-2-Mediated Bone Repair**
Dr. Lisa Tran, Emory University
Co-Authors: Albert Cheng, Laxminarayanan Krishnan, Steven Roser, Robert Guldberg

Second Place – winner of $500:
**Clinical Application of Desktop 3-D Printing Technology in Ablative and Reconstructive Maxillofacial Surgery**
Dr. Ignacio Velasco, University of Puerto Rico
Co-authors: Soheil Vahdani, Hector Ramos, Julio Guzman

Third Place – winner of $250:
**Forced Extrusion of Impacted Dentition and Molar Up-Righting Using Micro-Screw Anchorage**
Dr. Kyle Yip, the University of Southern California
Co-Authors: Steve Lim, Peter Krakowiak, Jose Garcia

Honorable Mention

**Prevalence of Surgical Treatment of Deep Fascial Space Infection from Third-Molars**
Christopher Paolino, Tufts University School of Dental Medicine

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This Month’s Clinical Review: Alveoplasty
by Stephanie J. Drew, DMD

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Question of the Week
4.4.2016

A patient who has sustained an orbital floor blowout fracture has difficulty looking upward. A forced duction test demonstrates no restriction to eye movement in all planes.

What is the most likely diagnosis?
(visit acoms.org/qotw for choices)

Special thanks to our Question of the Week editorial team:
- Pat Vezeau, DDS, MS (Chief)
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Featured in this month’s issue:

*Differences in human papillomavirus–positive and –negative head and neck cancers in Belgium: an 8-year retrospective, comparative study*

Koenraad Grisar, MD, Ruveyda Dok, PhD, Joseph Schoenaers, MD, DDS, PhD, Titiaan Dormaar, MD, DDS, Esther Hauben, MD, PhD, Mark Jorissen, MD, PhD, Sandra Nuyts, MD, PhD, Constantinus Politis, MD, DDS, PhD

**Objectives:** This study investigated the prevalence of human papillomavirus (HPV)-related oropharyngeal squamous cell carcinoma (OPSCC) and compared patient profiles and outcomes between HPV-positive and HPV-negative groups.

**Study Design:** This retrospective study included all patients treated for OPSCC in the University Hospitals of Leuven between 2004 and 2012. Paraffin-embedded tumor tissue was available for all patients. Patient characteristics, treatment, and follow-up data were retrieved from medical files. HPV status was determined by immunohistochemical staining for the p16 epitope.

**Results:** Among 94 patients, the prevalence of HPV-positive OPSCC was 22.34%. Compared with HPV-negative tumors, HPV-positive tumors were correlated with less smoking and alcohol consumption, tonsillar sublocalization (P < .05), and younger age. HPV-positive OPSCC was associated with better overall survival (62.2%) compared with HPV-negative OPSCC (42.5%; P = .0588).

**Conclusions:** Among patients with OPSCC, those with HPV exhibited profiles different from those without HPV. HPV-positive OPSCC was associated with better overall survival compared with HPV-negative OPSCC. HPV-positive OPSCC prevalence increased over time.

Also in this month’s issue:

- **Clinical study on mandibular fracture after marginal resection of the mandible**
  Kohei Okuyama, Yasuyuki Michi, Miho Mizutani, Masashi Yamashiro, Atsushi Kaida, Kiyoshi Harada

- **Simultaneous removal of third molars and completion of a sagittal split osteotomy: effects of age and presence of third molars**
  Igor Batista Camargo, Joseph E. Van Sickels, Larry L. Cunningham

- **Risk factors of distant metastasis in patients with squamous cell carcinoma of the oral cavity**
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