

Academy Leader

Annual Spring Technical Meeting—A Very Special Event

2001: A Brace (and Limb) Odyssey

March 31st will see a very special venue for the Ohio Chapter AAOP. The Chapter is presenting an exciting slate of presenters and cutting edge topics relevant to today's and tomorrow's practice in O&P.

Ron Kidd, (*President, American Orthopedics, Inc.*), president of the newly formed Ohio Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics Licensing Board will open the session with an update on proceedings of the OOPPLB and what this means to practitioners. Many in the industry are interested in hearing how and

when licensure must be obtained, and, more urgently, how they can be "grandfathered" under the current licensing provisions. Kidd will respond to all questions.

Later in the program, Kevin Carroll (*Vice President of Prosthetics, Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc.*) will review the *why* of licensure in "What Licensed Practitioners Have to Offer Consumers".

Earlier in the day, Carroll will present a detailed overview of "Proximal Femoral Focal Deficiency (PFFD)". In this presentation, Carroll will cover not only the

technical aspects of PFFD, but the psychological implications for the patient as well.

Opening presenters will be, Michael Schuch, C.P.O., F.A.A.O.P. (*Director/Assistant Professor, Duke University Medical Center, Department of Prosthetics and Orthotics*), and Mike Tompkins (*President, Animated Prosthetics, Inc.*). Schuch is a name familiar to many O&P professionals. He is the Immediate Past President of AOPA, Past-president of the Academy, past

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Dear Colleagues;

If you think about it, the Ohio Chapter's Annual Spring Meeting might be one of the most important meetings we've had the opportunity to offer. With an impressive slate of presentations, a record number of exhibitors and a "kick-off" update on Ohio's licensure program, there will be something here for everyone.

The Licensure Board has convened twice now, and we know that things are beginning to take shape. Ohio is quickly making licensure a new foundation for professional practice—assuring quality services for all patients. The Ohio Academy will continue to meet members' and other allied health educational needs, even with changes brought on by licensure.

As we have looked at other states implementing their licensure laws, we know that many eyes are now on us as well. I urge everyone to stay informed. Come to Columbus on March 31st and get all the latest information, not only on licensure, but on virtually everything else that's new in O&P.

Regards,

Barry

The Ohio Orthotic-Prosthetic & Pedorthic Licensure Board Begins Work

Dianne Farabi

Executive Director, Ohio Orthotics and Prosthetics Association

Complete Board Has Now Been Appointed by Governor's Office.

Appointment of all members of the Ohio Orthotic, Prosthetic and Pedorthic Licensure Board is now complete, with the recent appointment of the consumer member, Mr. Steve LaForge, Esq.

Ron Kidd, CPO, (American Orthopedics, Columbus) was elected to serve as President of the Board, which also includes the following individuals who have been appointed to serve on the board:

Michael Marmer, BOC, CPed, Vice President (Cincinnati); Jack Reser, CPed, Secretary (Bellefontaine); Dr. Tom Lee, (Columbus); Mark Horwitz, CO, (Dayton); Julie Bush, BOC, (Columbus).

Appointments were made from recommendations submitted by various groups, including the Ohio Orthotics and Prosthetics Association, The Ohio Chapter, American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists, Prosthetic Orthotic Licensure Advocates and the National Association of Manufacturers.

As is customary practice for the operation of a state board, a representative of the Attorney General's office has also been assigned to work with the board and will attend

all meetings of the board in an advisory capacity.

Members of the initial board have staggered lengths of terms but the successive terms will be three-year terms. Board members may not serve more than two consecutive terms and must maintain qualifications and licensure required under the law for appointment.

Work has begun by the board in order to comply with requirements of the law regarding board formation and operation.

Board meetings were held on February 21 and 28 and a day-long meeting has been scheduled for March 10 to begin the process of writing rules and developing the licensure application process.

During the first meeting of the Board, Sallie DeBolt, the Assistant Attorney General, presented orientation for the board members. She explained that the primary role of a regulatory board is to protect the public and insure minimum standards for public health, safety and welfare. She also spoke about the role of a board member, aspects of legal liability and the ethics law overview.

The first important items of business for the board have been identified as: 1) developing a



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budget, 2) hiring a director, 3) locating office space, and 4) developing an application process and setting of fees.

In addition to the "housekeeping" items of business involved with creating a new board, the board will also be responsible for all administrating rules to support and clarify the statute created by the licensure bill, R.C. 4779.16.

Practitioners who wish to become licensed under provisions of the grandfathering clause will have 270 days from the effective date of the law to apply for licensure once the application process is in place, or until July 28, 2001. The law became effective October 27, 2000 and originally allowed for a 180-day grandfathering period. That timeframe was extended by 90 days. The Board has set a goal to have applications distributed sometime in May.



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chair of US-ISPO, and former Editor of JPO. Schuch's practice for the past several years has been devoted to upper limb myoelectric fittings. Mike, and his colleague, electronics wizard, Michael Tompkins, President and founder of Animated Prosthetics, Inc. are setting the pace in development of upper limb myoelectric devices. Their work has been featured on a number of national television broadcasts, most recently, on an episode of the Discovery Channel's "Millennium Medicine" series "I", as well as the Discovery Channel's acclaimed "Hospital" series, "Episode 12: A Whole New Life". Together, Schuch and Tompkins will lead off the Spring Technical Meeting with an overview of their recent work in this breakthrough technology.

An interactive panel presentation moderated by Ohio Chapter-AAOP Immediate Past President,

Mark Bondurant will review "Clinical Experiences with the C-Leg". Panelists include; Randy Daniel, C.P. (*OrPro-LaForsch Orthopedic Laboratories*), Manuel R. Garcia, C.P. (*President, Manuel Garcia Prosthetics Lab, Inc.*), Ronald L. Kidd, C.P.O. (*President, American Orthopedics, Inc.*), and Glen Schober, C.P. (*Vice President, Yates & Schober, Inc.*).

Deanna Fish, M.S., C.P.O. (*Clinical Educator, Orthomerica Products, Inc.*) is widely recognized nationally as a trainer and as a "professional among professionals" in O&P. The Ohio Chapter has been fortunate to have her present at several meetings in the past. Attendee responses have always shared excitement about having heard her presentations. This year, Deanna will present on "Cranial Remolding Orthoses". Fish's description of her presentation is, "These orthoses are indicated for infants 3-18 months of age and are

fabricated from a custom mold of the infant's head. This lecture will provide an overview of cranial anatomy, definitions and terminology, indications and contra-indications, patient evaluation, management of tortocollis as it relates to plagiocephaly, and fitting and follow-up procedures."

Jim Walker, C.O., (*Senior Instructor, Boston Brace International, Inc. — Director, National Orthotics and Prosehetics Compnay of Pennsylvania*) will present on "Hybrid Orthoses for Neuromuscular Scoliosis". Jim will review some of the new and existing materials in orthoses for scoliosis and when and how each is indicated for use.

Frank Friddle, C.O., (*President, Friddle's Orthopedic Appliances*) will present a brief, but very informative dual-topic session entitled "Plastics in Orthotics and Use of Color in Orthotics". Frank's description of his program is; "Characteristics, both physical and

thermal as well as proper handling, disposal and working techniques will be reviewed. Material safety data will be distributed, and nomenclature discussed.”

Frank Friddle represents the third generation in his family in the field of Orthotics and Prosthetics. He holds graduate and post-graduate credentials from Clemson University and a certificate in orthotics from Northwestern University. He has served as President of the South Carolina Society of Orthotics and Prosthetics as well as President of AOPA Region IV. He now devotes a good deal of time with ABC as a member of the Orthotic CPM Exam Committee and has also served as a member of AOPA’s Membership and Marketing Committee as well as AOPA’s Supplier Committee.

James H. Campbell, Ph.D., C.O., rounds out this very strong program with, “*Stance Controlled Orthotic Knee Joints*”. Campbell’s presentations will examine the current status of stance controlled orthotic knee joints by providing an overview of two current, and ongoing research projects addressing this common clinical problem. The function of the knee joint structures, as they relate to stability



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and knee motion during the gait cycle, will be reviewed.

Dr. Campbell currently serves as the Director of Research & Product Development for Becker Othopedic. He earned his Ph.D. in Bioengineering, with his doctoral research being, “The Orthotic Management of Pediatric Paraplegia: A clinical and biomechanical analysis”. He is also a past editor of the *Journal for Prosthetics and Orthotics*.

Prior to working with Becker, Dr. Campbell served four years as Director of Orthotics and Prosthetics at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation. He has presented at regional and national conference and at AAOP CEC conferences by invitation. Campbell is also author of the chapter, “Orthoses for Spinal Cord Injury” in the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons Atlas of

Orthotics and Assistive Devices, 3rd Edition, 1997.

A Special Treats for Attendees: the Hilton Hotel and Easton Town Center

The Hilton Hotel is one of Columbus’ newest hotels. Opening last year, it has already attracted praise as one of the finest upscale hotels in the city. Space is generous and amenities are abundant for all guests. The Ohio O&P room rate of \$119 is an exeptional bargain (be sure to ask for the Ohio Orthotics and Prosthetic Association room rate, not Ohio Chapter).

The Easton Town Center is also a new entity in Columbus. Many cities have now taken the local

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The Ohio Chapter-AAOP
Annual Spring Technical Meeting
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*March 31, 2000
Hilton Hotel—Columbus*

Program

8:30–9:00 AM Licensure Update

Ronald L. Kidd, C.P.O., President, American Orthopedics, Inc., Columbus, Ohio

9:00–10:00 AM Animated Prosthetics Myoelectric System Overview and Clinical Case Reports

Michael C. Schuch, C.P.O., F.A.A.O.P., Director/Assistant Professor, Duke University Medical Center, Department of Prosthetics and Orthotics, Durham, North Carolina

Michael E. Thompkins, President and Founder, Animated Prosthetics, Inc., Durham, North Carolina

10:00–10:30 AM Break/Exhibits

10:30–11:00 AM Proximal Femoral Focal Deficiency (PFFD)

Kevin Carroll, M.S., C.P., F.A.A.O.P., Vice President of Prosthetics, Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

11:00–12:00 PM Clinical Experiences with the C -Leg (Panel Presentation)

Mark Bondurant, C.P.O., (Moderator), Vice President and General Manager, OrPro-LaForsch Orthopedic Laboratories, Inc., Dayton, Ohio

Randy Daniel, C.P., OrPro-LaForsch Orthopedic Laboratories, Inc., Dayton, Ohio

Manuel R. Garcia, C.P., President, Manuel Garcia Prosthetics Lab, Inc., Strongsville, Ohio

Ronald L. Kidd, C.P.O., President, American Orthopedics, Inc., Columbus, Ohio

Glen Schober, C.P., Vice President, Yates & Schober, Inc, (dba Franzel Orthopedic Labs), Dayton, Ohio

12:00–1:30 Lunch/Exhibits

1:30–2:15 PM Cranial Remolding Orthoses

Deanna Fish, M.S., C.P.O., Clinical Educator, Orthomerica Products, Inc., Taylorsville, Utah

2:15–3:00 PM Hybrid Orthoses for Neuromuscular Scoliosis

Jim Walker, C.O., Director, NOPCO, Boston Brace International, Inc., NOPCO (National Orthotics and Prosthetics Company of Pennsylvania), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

3:00–3:15 PM Break/Exhibits

3:15–3:45 PM Plastics in Orthotics and Use of Color in Orthotics

Frank Friddle, Jr., C.O., President, Friddle's Orthopedic Appliances, Honea Path, South Carolina

3:45–4:30 PM Stance Controlled Orthotic Knee Joints

James H. Campbell, Ph.D., C.O., Director of Research and Product Development, Becker Orthopedic Troy, Michigan.

4:30–5:00 PM What Licensed Practitioners Have to Offer Consumers

Kevin Carroll, M.S., C.P., F.A.A.O.P., Vice President of Prosthetics, Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

"Mall" to to exciting new levels with village concepts such as Easton. Not only do they provide shopping in dozens of stores, but they also provide restaurants, theaters (live and film) and clubs.

Among Easton's 17 restaurants, are top-notch ethnic offerings, including Italian (**Brio Tuscan Grill**), Mexican (**Chipotle Mexican Grill**), Irish (**Fadó Irish Pub**), and Chinese (**P.F. Changs**) — try P.F. Changs', lettuce-wrapped chicken appetizer.

There are a number of excellent American Cuisine restaurants as well: the **Cheesecake Factory**, Johnny Rockets, the **Ocean Club**, and the California-styled, **Restaurant Hama** to name a few.

AMC has 30 film theaters at the Easton. You might want to check out the Academy Award winning films at one of the theaters (awards to be announce on 3/25/01).

For "over 21 fun", try **Adobe Gila's**, the **Casbah** (night club), the **Fado Irish Pub**, the GameWorks, or the **Shark Club** (pool, bowling, top forty hits and a dance floor)

If your taste runs to live theater the **Shadow Box** always features fun and top-billed productions.

Perhaps sheer mayhem is what you crave. If so, don't miss Bobcat Goldthwaite at the **Funny Bone Comedy Club and Cafe**. Those who have seen his work live or on national television, know him as, "...a cross between Lenny Bruce to a Warner Brothers cartoon on the verge of a nervous breakdown. Whether audiences consider him on the edge or over it, after a dozen films, HBO specials, a myriad of guest spots, and even a few talk-

show appearances that didn't result in legal action, love him or hate him, Bobcat is still original and never boring. You've seen him on television and in movies, now see him live at **The Funny Bone**."

There is much more at the Easton Town Center. If you want to see all of events, shopping, clubs, restaurants, theaters, check out the website, www.eastontowncenter.com

The Ohio Chapter is very excited about this year's Spring Technical Meeting. The program is top-notch. The presenters are among the best in the industry, and the setting is the best in Columbus. Please make your reservations for the hotel immediately, and if you haven't sent in your meeting registration, please don't delay.

See you on the 31st!

Ohio O & P Golf Outings

Saturday June 23

Bent Tree Golf Club - Sunbury Ohio

You do not want to miss this opportunity to play at what Golf Digest considers as one of the finest golf facilities in the country! Send in your registration early to guarantee your opportunity to enjoy a great day with other practitioners and suppliers.

\$ 60.00 per person

includes greens fees, cart, food, prizes, and fun!

Bent Tree is conveniently located just off of I-71, approximately 25 miles north of Columbus. Take I-71 to Exit 131 and go east on Route 36/37. The club is located approximately one mile from the interstate on the left. Tee times start at 10:00 AM and soft spikes are required.



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