From the Editor

Reader's Forum and Clinician's Corner

Marjorie Snow

Suggested Citation

Snow, M. (1982). Reader's Forum and Clinician's Corner. *International Journal of Orofacial Myology*, 8(2), 3.
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.52010/ijom.1982.8.2.1>

This work is licensed under a [Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-NoDerivatives 4.0 International License](#).

The views expressed in this article are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the policies or positions of the International Association of Orofacial Myology (IAOM). Identification of specific products, programs, or equipment does not constitute or imply endorsement by the authors or the IAOM. The journal in which this article appears is hosted on [Digital Commons](#), an Elsevier platform.

READER'S FORUM

The tenth annual convention of the IAOM was held recently in San Diego, California. The theme of the convention was "State Of The Art: Oral Myology – Redefined." In keeping with that theme, it seems appropriate to take a critical look at the communication medium for the Association, the Journal, and to determine whether or not it, also, is in need of redefinition.

The current membership of the IAOM reflects a diversity found in few other professions. Do speech pathologists, dental hygienists, dentists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, and other practicing myofunctional therapists all have the same goals and objectives for their professional Journal? It is time to find out what the needs and interests of this group really are, and if the Journal is being effective in meeting the expectations of the Association members.

Included in this issue is a response card which will attempt to poll the readers to obtain feedback about their wishes for Journal content and format. Please take a few minutes to fill out the card and express your personal preferences for making the Journal an effective and interesting contributor to Association membership.

If there isn't room on the inside of the response card, use the back for suggestions. Remember to tape it closed, but most of all let's hear from you. Communication requires a dialogue, and it has been far too quiet in the Editor's corner. Not only are your wishes requested, but also your contributions. Each member undoubtedly has some information that would be of value to the rest of the membership, so sharpen up your pencils and become a Journal contributor!

CLINICIAN'S CORNER

One proposal that received a favorable response at the recent meeting will – it is hoped – stimulate some of the member participation requested above.

It was suggested that Marv Hanson's now-famous "What If" questionnaire might serve as the vehicle. Selected items from this collection of troublesome therapy situations will be sent periodically to members at random. We will send several questions to the same member, to save time and postage, and send the same items to several members. We hope that you will take a few minutes to share with us your solutions. In many cases, there is no "correct" answer; still, these problems do arise in therapy, and we would like your suggestions on how best to deal with them.

And please – it is not necessary to worry about your prose style or writing ability. We can always do a bit of editing (that's our job) if you can manage to put down your ideas in any coherent fashion. A few of these expurgated versions, perhaps showing different viewpoints, will appear in each future issue.

Should you feel that you have a better solution than the ones that are printed, feel free to send it along for the next issue. There is always room for discussion. But do not let this weaken your determination to find or write some full-fledged articles. We need your input!