Commentary

President's Message: New cover design and more

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President's Message

It may come as a surprise to some of the readers of this Journal that the cover of the I.J.O.M. has undergone a dramatic change. This is the first I.J.O.M. which reflects the new I.A.O.M. logo adopted in June, 1985, in Atlanta, Georgia. There are four themes within this new logo. First, the overall design of the logo suggests balance. Secondly, the three "arms" depicted in the new logo are representative of the professions which comprise the I.A.O.M. membership — speech, dentistry and other health related professions. The suggested movement of these "arms" toward the center represents each profession bringing its unique contribution to the unified goals of the I.A.O.M. The suggested movement from the center of the logo outward represents the dissemination and sharing of knowledge gained from the I.A.O.M. to the respective professions. I do hope that the reader understands that the complete transitional process of the logo change on all I.A.O.M. business and publications will be done as efficiently and cost-effectively as possible.

I would also like to take this time to address the procedures built into the process of becoming President of the I.A.O.M. Before one becomes president he/she must be President-elect for two years. One of the requirements of that position is that he/she serve in the capacity of Membership and Certification Chairperson. I am grateful for this procedure as it afforded me an opportunity to meet and communicate with many of you on a one-to-one basis. In that capacity I developed an appreciation and a pride in the caliber of persons seeking membership and certification in the International Association of Orofacial Myology. It is true that our numbers have grown slowly and steadily over the years. The concentration of the quality of the new mem-

bers we attract remains constant. It is truly exciting being a part of this "cream of the crop" which refuses to stagnate!

I appreciate the confidence the membership has bestowed upon me in electing me to this Presidency. I shall try to fulfill the responsibilities of President to my utmost capabilities. My goal is to provide leadership which addresses, expedites and reaches closure on the issues that come before this Association in as fair and efficient a manner as possible. If any of you have concerns, I urge you to write to me.

Over the years I have had the opportunity to attend most of the I.A.O.M. Annual Conventions, most of the Western Rap Sessions and two of the Eastern Rap Sessions. The quality of each meeting continues to grow and grow and grow!! The persons who assist in setting up and arranging these meetings certainly deserve a "standing ovation." I want to encourage each member to attend as many meetings as feasible. The professional "lift" one receives from these meetings is most gratifying!

Last, but surely not least, I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to two talented and dedicated women — Marjorie Snow, M.A. and Roberta Pierce, M.A.T. I am truly grateful that they honored my request to continue to serve in the capacity of Editors of this professional Journal. Their willingness, their devotion and their many hours of work are truly appreciated.

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