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The OAO recently completed our semi-annual board meeting with the following items for consideration. First, the ODA just completed a survey regarding the public's perception of what constitutes a "specialist" by dental standards. This survey was, in part, supported financially by the OAO and will be in publication soon. The results were VERY significant and should be a resource for all dentists and those with a specialty degree. Secondly, we are in discussions with the Michigan Association of Orthodontists (MAO) to provide OAO members the opportunity to attend the annual spring MAO C.E. session (doctor and staff) at MAO member rates. If you live close to Michigan or just have a desire to travel a short distance and collect C.E. credits, this may be a nice opportunity to consider. Finally, the OAO would like to encourage our members to attend the GLAO annual session at the Harbor Beach Resort in Fort Lauderdale September 12-15. The OAO will be having our annual board meeting during this session and all our members should try to participate. These are challenging times for our profession and your voice matters.

Respectfully Submitted,

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