



# LOCUM

A Newsletter for ASSOCIATES with Forest Irons & Associates, Inc.

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## From the President's Desk

As many of you may know, August 11<sup>th</sup> marked the passing of a friend and colleague, Dr. Jim Pride. While mourning his loss and extending heartfelt condolences to Carolyn and the family, this is also a time to celebrate his life and contributions, as Jim certainly left our profession much better than he found it. For those left behind, perhaps this untimely event should serve to remind us of the responsibility of giving back. Somewhere within the "Three Ts" - time, treasure, talent- we should all strive to be net "givers to" rather than "takers from" the world in which we live. I shall consider this to be my legacy from Jim. I am blessed to have known him.

Safe travels and best wishes for a rewarding fall season. —Forest

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## News

The decade of the '60s is often referred to as the "golden age" of dentistry. The high speed air turbine, relatively little third party involvement, and the growing affluence of the populace are generally cited as major contributing factors for this label. Many dental pundits now say we are entering into a second golden age of dentistry. Maybe we should call it the "titanium," or the "adhesive," or the "esthetic" age. Dentistry is probably changing faster now than at any time in the last forty years. In response to our patients' desire to look younger, healthier, and more attractive, we are seeing better and more esthetic materials available. Lasers, digital x-rays, Invisalign™, computer-generated restorations, and other technological advances are commonplace in dental offices.

In order to remain on the cutting edge of modern dentistry, it is imperative that dentists commit a significant amount of time attending continuing education courses. The short-term negative economic impact of closing an office in the interest of professional development can be offset by having FI&A provide a locum tenens dentist, thus keeping the office open and generating income while the dentist is away. If the dentists you work with seem like candidates for locum tenens, have them call or e-mail us for more information on our services. Change is the norm now in dentistry, and a successful practice needs to be current.

## From the Office

Christina Adams is due to have a little boy in about 6 weeks (judging from Christina's size, it may be a big boy). She and her husband have decided to name him Christian Blake Adams. She is planning to be out of the office six to eight weeks, depending on "how well me and the little guy can get adjusted in that time." To keep the office adequately staffed and to prepare for the future needs of FI&A, SueAnn Safriet has joined our team.

SueAnn Safriet brings over 13 years of experience to our team, ranging from administrative to teaching in North Carolina school systems. She is the mother of two (Lindsay and Christopher) and currently resides in Trinity, North Carolina, with her husband Keith. She has a great personality and is eager to learn our business and become an asset to our company. As you call into the Corporate Office, please be sure to welcome SueAnn to the team.