

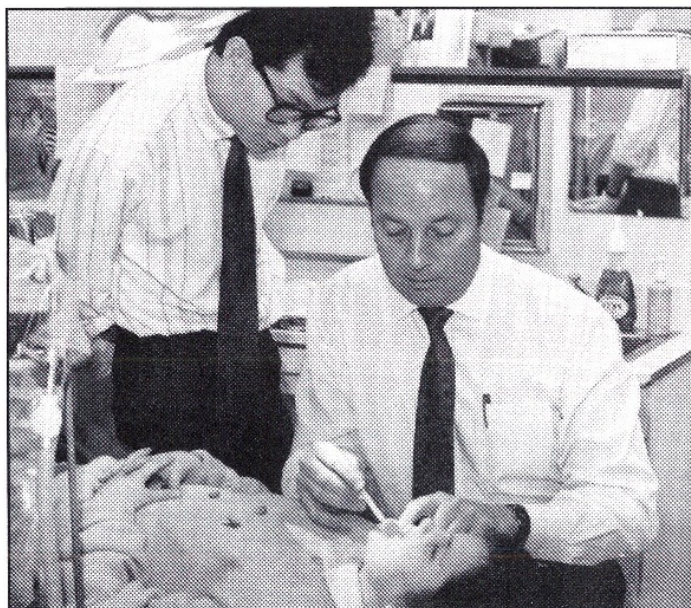
# Dr. Donald R. Joondeph

**Y**ounger members in our society need the encouragement and opportunities to become active in leadership roles," said Dr. Donald R. Joondeph in an interview with the PCSO *Bulletin* staff. "Increased involvement and attendance by our members at the annual session and business meetings is another key issue." Dr. Joondeph, a current director of the American Board of Orthodontics and past chairman of the Department of Orthodontics, University of Washington is serving as the 1990 President of the Pacific Coast Society of Orthodontists.

## Early background

Don's roots reach back to the East Coast where he was born and raised in New Jersey. He is the second of four sons born to Olga and Reese Joondeph. His oldest brother, Howard, and youngest brother, Brian, are both ophthalmologists, and his younger brother, Marc, practices orthodontics in Auburn, Washington. "My father was a pharmacist, and both my parents instilled education as a priority for their sons." After graduation from Ridgewood High School in New Jersey, Don headed west to Chicago for the next ten years to further his education.

Don attended Northwestern University for his undergraduate studies and obtained his certificate and degrees in dentistry and orthodontics there as well. He has great memories of his senior undergraduate year at Northwestern; the year the football team was actually ranked number one in the country for a time under the guidance of Coach Ara Parseghian. Don recalls one experience in athletic economics. His room-



Don teaches at the University of Washington and maintains a private practice in Bellevue, Washington.

mate, All-American wide-receiver, Paul Flatley became a first-round NFL draft pick. He signed for a \$4,000 signing bonus with the Minnesota Vikings. A far cry from the current state of affairs in professional athletics.

Don and his high school sweetheart, Cilla, were married in 1963. They started their family in Chicago. Their son Brad's birth in 1968 conflicted with the



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Don and Cilla on their wedding day in 1963, and 25 years later.

Northwestern at Notre Dame football game. It was a tough decision for Don which to attend.

### Migration west

During his final year in the Northwestern orthodontic program, Don met Dr. Alton Moore, chairman of the University of Washington Department of Orthodontics. Dr. Moore was in Chicago for a meeting with Dr. Hal Perry, Northwestern's chairman. Dr. Moore was starting a two-year post-doctoral fellowship for orthodontic educators at the University of Washington. Don was invited to interview in Seattle, and vividly remembers his first trip to the Pacific Northwest. "It was February and I stepped off the plane into a 65 degree sunny day. Bill McNeill drove me around in his convertible with the top down. After enduring all those Midwest winters it didn't take long for me to reach a decision. I immediately called Cilla, who was waiting in Chicago with our infant son. 'Sell all our winter clothes, we're moving to Seattle!' After arriving in April, we didn't see the sun for at least two months." It was an inauspicious start to what became a successful ten-year term as Chairman of the University of Washington Department of Orthodontics. Don continued the fine tradition established by his predecessors and mentors, Drs. Al Moore and Dick Riedel. He maintained the balance between research and clinical training that has been a trademark of the University of Washington program.

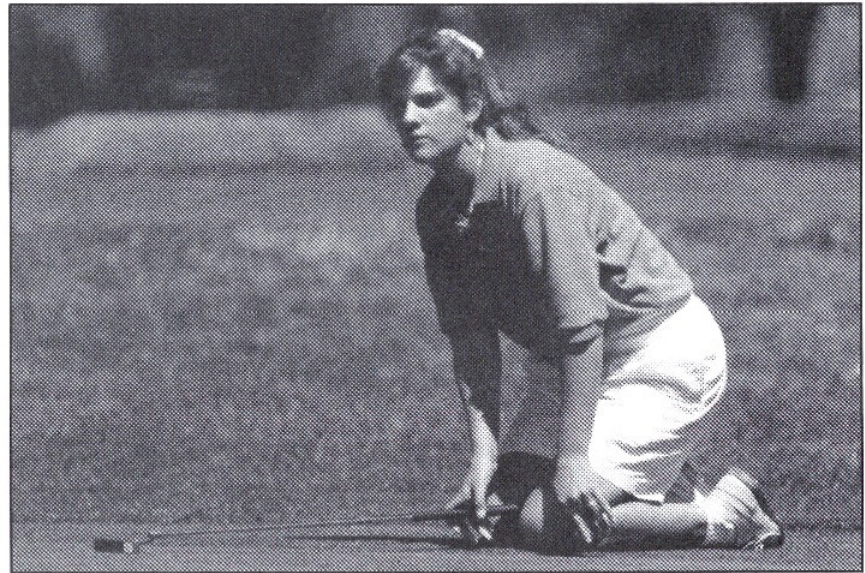
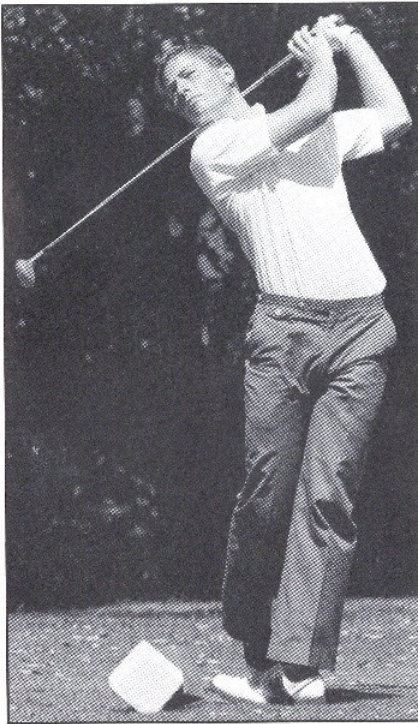
During his chairmanship tenure Don practiced part-time with fellow faculty colleagues; first with Dick Riedel in downtown Seattle, and later with the late Jack Keller in Kirkland. After stepping down as chairman in 1984, he has remained an associate professor and maintains a solo private practice in Bellevue, Washington.

Don is a proven leader in orthodontics in all arenas; academics, research, clinical excellence and administrative politics. He received the Milo Hellman Award in 1972. He has published numerous scientific articles as well as chairing graduate student thesis projects. He has made many scientific and clinical presentations to audiences of all levels including the Pacific Coast Society of Orthodontics.

Don is a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics and became one of the eight national Directors of the ABO in 1986. He has served as President of both the Washington State Society of Orthodontists and the Northwest Component of the Edward H. Angle Society. He has been a director on the board of the Pacific Coast Society of Orthodontists, and a member of dental education committees for both the American Dental Association and American Association of Orthodontists.

When not involved in teaching, private practice, or travelling to one of the PCSO or ABO board meetings, Don can usually be found near a golf course. An avid





Both Brad and Molly are avid golfers.

golfer, Don passed on some of his prowess to his two children. Brad, now a Stanford University senior, played for the Stanford golf team and placed eleventh in the extremely competitive Pac-10 league tournament in 1988. Brad is a political science major and anticipates attending law school. The Joondeph's daughter, Molly, is a Lakeside High School senior and won the 1987 and 1988 metro golf championships.

#### Phoenix Annual Session

Don is eagerly anticipating November's PCSO Annual Session in Phoenix, Arizona. Don and Fred Hassig, general program chairman, have designed the meeting format to combine the program with an opportunity to enjoy the Phoenix area. The scientific and assistant's programs will be chaired by Vince Kokich and Tom Pitts, respectively.

"We have the opportunity to make the Phoenix meeting one of our best and I encourage all members to not only attend but to also bring their staff members." Dr. Joondeph mentioned a significant change that should dramatically influence staff attendance. The Board of

Directors now permits meetings to be held before and after the annual PCSO meeting if approved through PCSO executive director, Philip Rollins. This will allow staff oriented seminars such as user groups and management courses to be held in conjunction with the annual session.

The *PCSO Bulletin* salutes Don for his tremendous record of achievements and his devotion to orthodontic leadership. He is an exceptional role model, especially for those young members in the constituency.

By the way, Don would like all readers to know that he did manage to attend both Brad's birth and the football game.