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Temple Grad Dr. Robert A. Levine Travels the Globe Sharing His Passion with Colleagues and Students

August, 2010 – Dr. Robert A. Levine, a 1981 Graduate of the Temple School of Dentistry and a current clinical professor in Post-Graduate Periodontics and Oral Implantology in the Kornberg School of Dental Medicine, was recently honored as the Distinguished Speaker at the University of North Carolina Department of Periodontology's 13th Annual Straumann Lecture.

Dr. Levine, a Temple University Gallery of Success Awardee, was also a recently invited lecturer at the University of Bern Department of Periodontology, Prosthodontics and Implantology in Bern, Switzerland and at Harvard University's Department of Periodontics in Boston, MA. He is one of a select group of American specialists appointed to the prestigious International Team for Implantology (ITI) of Basel, Switzerland, a non-profit scientific organization that meets every five years to create treatment protocols for implant dentistry.

"Although hands-on patient care and student mentoring are my top priorities, I am forever energized when I have the opportunity to speak to my esteemed colleagues in the rapidly-advancing fields of periodontics and implantology," Dr. Levine noted.

Dr. Levine is Founder and Director of Northeast Philadelphia's Pennsylvania Center for Dental Implants and Periodontics, where he focuses on surgical implant placement, cosmetic oral plastic surgical procedures, bone/tissue regenerative therapy and advanced periodontal treatments. He praises Temple University for giving him the educational foundation that helped spark his most illustrious dental career.

"The clinical knowledge I received here at Temple provided an excellent basis not only for myself, but for my wife (Dr. Sheryl R. Radin, a Bucks County pediatric dentist BS '78, DDS'82), and now for one of my children (son Ross, '13)," he says. "I'm very happy that I can now give back some of my time and energy to the school."

Dr. Levine and Dr. Radin were both recently named Top Dentists by *Philadelphia Magazine*, Levine in Periodontics, Radin in Pediatrics. The couple supported the renovation of Kornberg's student lounge which has now been dedicated as the Dr. Sheryl R. Radin and Dr. Robert A. Levine Student Lounge.

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Dr. Levine is a member of the prestigious College of Physicians of Philadelphia. A Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology, he serves on the editorial boards of the Journal of Periodontology, Contemporary Esthetics and Restorative Practice, Practical Procedures and Aesthetic Dentistry, WorldDent.Com, Implant Realities, Collaborative Techniques and The Compendium of Continuing Education in Dentistry where he has served as Sections Editor in Periodontics for eight years.

He has authored/co-authored over 50 professional articles on periodontal-related topics, dental implants, orthodontic-periodontic therapy and oral medicine and contributed to four textbooks. He has also appeared on MDTV as a national medical expert and has been featured in numerous other local and national television and radio shows.

Dr. Levine is a visiting lecturer at New York University School of Dentistry and has been the President, Founder and Program Chairman of the Northeast Philadelphia Dental Implant and Perio-Prosthesis Study Club since 1984, a club which is dedicated to providing cutting-edge continuing education courses to the area's dental community.

Dr. Levine's hobbies include skiing, hiking, photography, scuba diving. He has coached soccer, baseball and softball for his children. He also presents American Civil War programs to local schools, synagogues, churches, colleges, Boy Scouts and community civic organizations. The programs are an outgrowth of his involvement with the 69th Pennsylvania Regiment Civil War Reenactment Group. Dr. Levine plays guitar in the "69th Pennsylvania Irish Volunteers," a Civil War reenactment band that contributes generous funding for preservation, playing at local venues in the Delaware and Lehigh Valleys, and the Gettysburg areas. A CD released in 2002 entitled "Rock of Erin" raised thousands of dollars for the preservation of American history.

The Pennsylvania Center for Dental Implants and Periodontics is one of the pioneering practices in the area of "immediate-load" dental implants. They offer SameDay Smile®, one of the most advanced dental implant procedures available today. The practice specializes in dental implant surgery, reconstructive periodontal procedures and oral plastic surgery.

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