A floor full of options

Meeting attendees pack the exhibit hall floor at the Georgia World Congress Center on Friday morning. (Photos/Fred Michmershuizen, today Staff)

Here in Atlanta, you can get your hands on the latest and greatest in dentistry

By Fred Michmershuizen, today Staff

- Nearly 23,000 dentists, hygienists, assistants and office staff from around the country have gathered here in Atlanta for the 102nd Thomas P. Hinman Dental Meeting. In the exhibit hall, hundreds of companies are showcasing the newest and most innovative advancements in dental technology.

- One noteworthy product on display here at the Georgia World Congress Center is the Planmeca PlanScan. The intraoral digital scanner, driven

Continuing to educate

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- If it’s continuing education you’re after, you’re in the right place. For more than a century now, those in the dental profession have come to the Thomas P. Hinman Dental Meeting to learn and grow professionally.

- More than 230 workshops, lectures and courses, featuring a broad spectrum of topics and cutting-edge technologies, are being presented here in Atlanta by approximately 65 of the country’s leading dental experts.

- This year, the American Academy of Facial Esthetics (AAFE) teamed up with Hinman for some special offerings, including “Frontline TMJ Syndrome, Facial Pain Therapy and Trigger Point Injections for Every Dental Practice,” presented on Wednesday, and “Botox Training and Dermal Filler Training,” presented on Thursday.

- For more course offerings, check out the official program, available throughout the convention center, or download the Hinman 2014 mobile app.

- Participants work with pig jaws during a hands-on oral surgery workshop conducted by Dr. Robert R. Edwab on Friday morning. (Photo/Fred Michmershuizen, today Staff)
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A new car! Hinman is raffling a 2014 Audi TT convertible. Tickets, available in the registration area, are $100 each or six for $500. Only 700 tickets are being sold.

The Grand Prize winner can choose between a three-year, 10,000-mile-a-year lease on an Audi or a $20,000 cash equivalent. Second prize is a $2,000 Ritz-Carlton gift certificate, and third prize is $1,000 cash. Proceeds benefit Hinman’s dental scholarship fund.

Also of note is a special prize program that includes a “Treasure Quest” scavenger hunt, a “Wheel of Chance” roulette game with prizes and jewelry giveaways, the raffle for a new Audi convertible and the chance to receive Delta Skymiles and cash.

by E4D Technologies, is on display at Henry Schein Dental. The scanner is designed to be super easy, super accurate and super fast.

The KaVo Kerr Group is boasting a portfolio of 20 new products, all linked across the organization’s newly formed global platform of brands. Products include MASTER-torque M8900L handpieces from KaVo; the Demi Ultra Curing Light and an enhanced SonicFill from Kerr; the CarisVe caries detection device from DEXIS; the i-CAT FLX MV CBCT from i-CAT; the ElementsFree cord-free obturation unit from Axis | SybronEndo; the Op300 Maxio digital panoramic imaging system from Instrumentarium; the ProII handheld intraoral X-ray unit from NOMAD;