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Letter from the President



What a big weekend I just had. My youngest son had his high school graduation party on Saturday. Father's day

was on Sunday. It was all wrapped into one big weekend. With all the rain we had been having it was nice to have a break from the soggy weather for the graduation party. Fathers Day weather was iffy. But it is nice to have a couple of dry days in a row!

So with that big weekend under my belt, I have some things to look forward to. "Empty Nesters" is the first thing to come to mind. I look forward to, as well as having some apprehension, to being an "empty nester". Everyone has been willing to give me his or her opinion. It is very interesting to listen to how different people feel about the same subject.

Personally, I think it will be great to see my young adults progress through the years of college. It is very rewarding to see your kids grow into young adults. As they learn and stumble through their young lives, you watch them make their own choices. Some of them wrong but thankfully most of them right. Letting them go through some of these choices seems to be the hardest for me as a parent.

The thing I worry about most with being an "empty nester" is how is the time and energy devoted to the kids going to be used now. I believe I will use my extra time creatively. I will get more involved with renovation projects that I want to do. I will also get more involved with volunteer work. I have been involved with the 4th District Dental Society for several years. I will continue to work closely with the Dental Society. I recommend everyone give something back to society. It is very rewarding.

Just as I watch my kids grow and develop, I feel that I am at a point in my life where I am able to do the same growing and developing. I look forward to the years ahead of me!

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News Updates

4th Annual Golf Outing / Risk Management Course

Save the date, **Friday, September 13th**, for another great day of golf and continuing education at the Hiland Golf and Country Club in Queensbury. The NYSDA Risk Management course will be presented in the morning followed by an afternoon of golf.

Oral Cancer Screening at the Track

Save the date, **Wednesday, August 7th, 2013**, for the annual Oral Cancer Screening at the Saratoga Race Track. The event will be from 10am-4pm with a happy hour from 4-6pm at the Horseshoe. Backstretch employees and track attendees will be screened. Please consider volunteering at this event and contact Nancy Hess at the District Office for additional information.

Online CE Versus Live Webinar CE Courses

New York State limits the amount of Continuing Education Course Credits that are taken online to a maximum of 18 per license renewal period. What you may not be aware of: Online live webinar courses do not count within the 18 credits of online continuing education. Credits obtained in a live webinar online course count the same as physically going to a lecture as long as there is opportunity for live interaction with the leader of the course.

Fall Meeting and Continuing Education

Dr. Nicholas Vero will be presenting his course on the 'Use of Lasers in Dentistry' at the Fort William Henry Resort in Lake George on **Friday, October 11th**. Please see the website www.4thdds.org to print registration forms. The annual fall meeting will be held on **Saturday, October 12th** also at the Fort William Henry Resort. Please look for details to follow on the district website and via email.

New Dentist Meeting / Women's Dentist Meeting

Please save the date, **November 7th, 2013** for the annual New Dentist Meeting which will be held at Saratoga National Golf Club. The Women's Dentist Meeting will be held on **December 5th, 2013** at The Gideon Putnam. Topics for these events are still being developed. Please look for registration information soon.

Issues with Specific Dental Plans

The Fourth District would like to know if your office is having any issues with specific insurance companies. Please forward any information to Dr. Adrienne Korkosz at korkoszendo@gmail.com.

Welcome New Members:

Dr. James Martin - *General Dentistry*
Boston University School of Dental Medicine
Aspen Dental - Plattsburgh

Dr. Bertrand Sorel - *Oral Surgery*
University Montreal Dental School
Univ. of Conn.- School of Dental Medicine - OMFS
Northeast Surgical Specialists - Queensbury

NYS MOM EVENT - June 13-14, 2014 - Volunteers Needed



*New York State
Mission of Mercy*

*New York State Dental Foundation,
in partnership with Missions of Mercy*

June 13 and 14, 2014

The first Mission of Mercy event in New York State will be held June 13-14, 2014 at Hudson Valley Community College (HVCC) at the Edward F. McDonough Sports Complex. This free two-day dental clinic, brought to you by the New York State Dental Foundation in partnership with Missions of Mercy, will provide oral health services and education to people lacking access to dental care. All types of volunteers will be needed (dentists, pharmacists, nurses, students, and community members) to keep the 100 dental chairs in use at all times. Please consider volunteering and bringing your staff to this 2 day event. Please visit the website www.nysmom.org for more information or to donate to this event. Direct link to volunteer is <http://www.rsvpbook.com/event.php?540978>

iSTOP Legislation Coming Soon, August 27th deadline - from

The New York State Department of Health has begun implementation of the Prescription Monitoring Program Registry – a system designed to curb abuse of prescription controlled drugs. Below are the key facts you must know if you intend to either **prescribe** a Schedule II, III, or IV controlled substance or if you intend to **dispense** any controlled substance in **any** Schedule in **any** quantity.

1. The Prescription Monitoring Program Registry is one part of the I-STOP (Internet System for Tracking Over-Prescribing) law. The Registry is scheduled by the I-STOP law to take effect on **August 27, 2013**. Although no regulations have yet been promulgated concerning the Registry, the New York State Department of Health is already taking steps to implement the law as written. If you want to prescribe a Schedule II, III, or IV drug or to dispense any controlled drug in any Schedule, you must be able to access the Registry.

2. There is a required duty under the I-STOP law to **consult** the Registry **before** prescribing any Schedule II, III, or IV drug to a patient. The Registry will contain a minimum of a six month patient controlled substance history and a maximum of a five year history that the prescriber can review. The I-STOP law does allow for a health care professional to designate a person to access and consult the Registry on his or her behalf – but the health care professional always remains legally responsible for the result and conduct of that process by the designee.

3. While input to the Registry will be by pharmacists in real time from **all** the controlled substance prescriptions they fill from any Schedule, there is also a duty for any health care provider who actually dispenses any controlled substance on any Schedule to a patient, in any quantity, to input that drug dispensing information into the Registry. **Key** – prescriptions are input to the Registry only by

pharmacists, but all health care professionals directly dispensing controlled drugs to patients must input that on their own.

4. The NYS Department of Health is sending notices to advise people that access to the Registry will be accomplished through the Health Commerce System (HCS) online account that they already use for renewing and issuing official NYS prescription forms. While many now opt to do renewals via paper, the **only** way the Department of Health will allow access to the Registry is via the HCS online account system.

5. If you cannot access the Registry because you didn't sign up for it – you will lose the ability to validly prescribe Schedule II, III, or IV controlled substances and the ability to dispense any controlled substance directly to a patient. Your license to practice will also be at risk from the Office of Professional Discipline (OPD) if you attempt to evade or violate the Registry system.

For further information go to the following Web site: <https://hctesteamwork1.health.state.ny.us/pub/top.html> or call the HCS account system at either: 866-529-1890, option 1; or 866-811-7957, option 1.

Saratoga Dental Congress

The 2013 Saratoga Dental Congress was held at the Saratoga Springs City Center on May 23-24, 2013. Thank you to all who attended and helped to make this event such a success. Speakers Dr. John Cranham, Mr. Timothy Twigg, Ms. Colleen Rutledge, Dr. Garry Bey, and The Madow Brothers were both informative and entertaining and were well received by all attendees. We would again like to thank everyone on the SDC Committee for all of their hard work organizing the event. We would also like to thank our vendors for their continued support.



Dr. Sandmann with
The Madow Brothers



Kathy Harrison, Dr. Tecler, Dr. Harrison,
Judy Rosenzweig, and Gretchen Derwin



Dr. Popova-Salvatore, Dr. Salvatore Jr.,
and Dr. Salvatore Sr.



Kaleigh Izzo, Kim Collingwood,
and Dr. Esposito



Dr. Gleason, Dr. Baim, and Dr. Hwang



Nancy Hess and
Dr. Galati



Nancy Hess test driving the Paul Jr. Designs
motorcycle made for the Lucy Hobbs Project

2013 ADA Annual Session Returns to New Orleans

'The Future of Dentistry Meets Here' - Dr. Jim Galati

The American Dental Association(ADA) invites all dentists and dental professionals to attend The Annual Session and World Marketplace Exhibition, to be held at the New Orleans Convention Center from Oct. 31 through Nov 4. Registration for the meeting is now open. The ADA Annual Session offers all attendees the choice of more than 260 topical and cutting edge continuing education courses, with almost 50 percent of the lecture courses offered free with registration. More than 60 hands-on workshops will be offered. Attendees can also choose from unique learning opportunities such as six live-patient courses in the "Education in the Round" learning format, and a variety of high-tech courses in the ADA's CE Hub, featuring dental lasers, CAD/CAM systems and more.

Dentists and their teams work very hard during the year to provide a high level of dental care to their patients. Taking time off to attend the Annual Session can re-energize everyone and build a stronger team. It also gives dentists an opportunity to re-connect with classmates from across the

country that they may not have seen in a while. After a full day of learning new techniques and trying out new products, everyone can unwind and take advantage of the unique variety of restaurants and entertainment that New Orleans is famous for.

Annual Session attendees also gain entrance into the World Marketplace Exhibition, featuring more than 500 leading suppliers of dental products and services, and entrance into the acclaimed "Opening General Session and Distinguished Speaker Series" to be held the morning of Thursday, Oct. 31. The ADA is pleased to announce that this years speaker will be former President Bill Clinton. You can be part of this one of a kind dental meeting by going to www.ADA.org and following the link to the Annual Sessions meeting. There you can register for CE courses and secure your discounted Hotel reservations. If you need further information on the meeting, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to seeing many of you in New Orleans!

-Jim Galati, ADA Council on Annual Sessions

NYSDA Annual Meeting - May 31-Jun 2, 2013

- Dr. Fred Wetzel, Trustee

The New York State Dental Association held its Annual Meeting at the Grand Hyatt in New York City from May 31 to June 2 this year. The Fourth District was represented in the NYSDA House of Delegates by the following delegates: Dr. Mark Bauman, Dr. Wayne Harrison, Dr. John McCambley and Dr. Jim Galati. Dr. Maybelle Hwang and Dr. Doug Sandmann served as our Alternate Delegates. Our Executive Director Nancy Hess and NYSDA Trustee Fred Wetzel completed the Fourth District's delegation.

The resolutions considered during the House meetings directly affect our members. NYSDA's budget and the dues necessary to fund the state association were a focus throughout the session. The membership's EDPAC

contribution was also a featured item. The debate ultimately resulted in a modest dues increase. The EDPAC contribution will now be 15% of the dues assessment.

The cost of the annual meeting and the size of the recently formed House of Delegates has concerned the officers and trustees. The House decided to study the expenses related to the Annual Meeting and report early next year to the Board of Trustees. Any suggested changes will be ready for the next annual meeting to act upon. Another item being studied is to have a paperless meeting. This may seem like a simple matter, but the cost of providing enough internet bandwidth for our large house and caucus meetings could be significant.

Although our PGY-1 initiative as the pathway to licensure in New York has been successful, the PGY-1 Task Force will study the development of a suitable portfolio-based examination as part of the licensure process. This would be in addition to PGY-1 and would be a review of a candidate's treatment of patients in the dental school setting. Its purpose would be to determine competency and potentially allow ease of licensure outside of New York.

The following officers were elected and installed: Dr. Joel Friedman- President, Dr. John Liang- President-elect, Dr. David Miller- Vice President, Dr. Mark Weinberger- Treasurer, and Dr. Robert Peskin- Speaker of the House. Dr. Chad Gehani was selected as our next ADA Trustee.

2000 Hours:		<h2>Continuing Education Award Recipients</h2> <p>Congratulations to these individuals for attaining their Continuing Education Recognition Awards for achievement this year. The levels of recognition are 100 CE credit hours, 300 hours, 500 hours, and every 500 hours thereafter. The credits must have been earned from the date of membership through the end of 2012. Thank you for your continued dedication to your education and our profession.</p>		
Dr. Jules Comeau Dr. Wayne Harrison				
1000 Hours:				
Dr. Michael Breault Dr. Vincent Fuschino Dr. G. Kirk Gleason				
500 Hours:		300 Hours:		100 Hours:
Dr. Leonard Buchakjian		Dr. Steven Corrozza	Dr. Gregory Liberatore	Dr. Adrienne Korkosz
Dr. Mitchell Cohen		Dr. David Cornell	Dr. Daniel Marcus	Dr. Sheldon Kriegel
Dr. Avril D’ Souza		Dr. John Crary	Dr. Peter Pfaffenbach	Dr. Roger Lorberbaum
Dr. Richard Dunham		Dr. Charles Curiano	Dr. Bart Rizzuto	Dr. Nancy McDermott
Dr. Daniel Flanders		Dr. Anthony D’ Addio	Dr. Linda Shepard	Dr. David Morrison
Dr. Jon Globerson		Dr. Greg Dodd	Dr. Robert Sowalsky	Dr. Granville Small
Dr. Francis Pultorak		Dr. Thomas Every	Dr. MaiAn Vu	
Dr. Robert Szymczak		Dr. George Kurkowski	Dr. Ronald Winnie	
Dr. Joseph Tychostup				

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- **You benefit** by strengthening the ADA and sharing membership with another colleague — plus there are incentives and prizes for recruiters! For details and complete campaign rules visit **ADA.org/MGAM**.

Don't Delay!

The ADA Member-Get-A-Member campaign runs through September 30, 2013. For resources to assist your recruiting efforts, plus complete guidelines and rules visit **ADA.org/MGAM**, send an email to mgam@ada.org or call 800.621.8099.

Obituaries

Dr. Stuart N. Delman, 57, of Palm Coast, FL, formerly of Lake George, NY, died peacefully, March 5, 2013 at the Stuart F. Meyer Hospice House following a two week battle with brain cancer. Dr. Delman was a graduate of the North Carolina School of the Arts, where he studied oboe. He received his bachelors degree from the Brooklyn College and his Doctorate of Dental Surgery from NYU. He owned and operated his own dental practice in Chestertown, NY from 1993 until his retirement in 2012. Dr. Delman was also a professional oboist. He loved and enjoyed racquetball, tennis, hiking, cycling, classical music. Dr. Delman loved life, and excelled in everything he did. His kind and loving personality and sense of humor will be sadly missed by all who knew him. Dr. Delman is survived by his wife of 27 years, the former Suzanne Mary Wechsler. Memorial contributions may be made to the Stuart F. Meyer Hospice House in Palm Coast, Florida or the National Cancer Research Foundation.

-from the Daytona Beach News-Journal

Board Meeting Highlights

March 6, 2013

- MOM event scheduled for June 2014 is on schedule; Dr. Tom Lanka will be Oral Surgeon chair. This is a statewide effort, all Districts as well as large companies will be asked for financial support.
- Dr. Galati - The Annual Session committee met in New Orleans; things are going well; booth sales are around 80%, there will be more workshops this year and more C.E. on the floor.
- Dr. Breault - \$432,000 has been given to victims of Hurricane Sandy from the NYS Dental Foundation.
- General discussion - it may be beneficial to put together an Advisory committee to address issues with the individual county dental societies.

April 10, 2013

- Dr. Baim reported that she has speakers in place for the 2014 SDC and is also considering a hands-on course on dealing with age 1 dental visits.
- It was suggested that we distribute an Evaluation form at the New Dentists and Women Dentists meetings to get feedback and ideas for future meetings.
- Help at the District office- Tina Memos is helping out on an as needed basis one day a week.
- Adirondack Hygiene Scholarship - Fourth District will be sending a check for \$1,000 for selected students.
- \$1,500 was set aside for the Oral Cancer Screening at the Saratoga Race Track.

June 12, 2013

- Nancy Hess has spoken with Carley at NYSDA about setting up online registration for the 4th District C.E. courses and the SDC for next year. Nancy will report progress at the September Board meeting.
- District office summer hours (closed on Fridays) will be in effect until Labor Day.
- Dr. Breault distributed report to the Board on SDC evaluations - reviewed individual speakers/comments.
- Membership update - 4th District was the first in the state to reach 97% renewal rate.
- Dr. Galati - Dental Practice council meeting - The Center for Professional Success will soon be available on the ADA website. Members will be allowed access to business information to help with their practices.
- Dr. Wetzel discussed the House of Delegates meeting: The cost of the House of Delegates meeting in NYC was discussed. A task force was formed to discuss relocation and Dr. Harrison was appointed to the group. A PGY-1 Task Force will study the development of a suitable portfolio-base examination as a part of the licensure process. This would be in addition to PGY-1 and is in response to concerns about limitations of PGY-1 outside of NY State. The Student Legislative Day was funded for 5 years to have students meet with leadership of the state dental association and legislature for one day.
- Dr. Gleason reported that the Foundation has helped 101 dentists affected by Hurricane Sandy.
- Schenectady County Dental Society voted at the May 15th meeting to change the governance to committee of 5 and they will reduce the number of meetings given during the year.



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