Letter from the President

As promised, the 2012 Edition of the Saratoga Dental Congress was a “HUUGGEE” event. This year’s SDC was one of the most successful the District has held. The new City Center Classrooms, Exhibit Hall layout and dining area made for a comfortable and exciting two days of education, interaction with the exhibitors, networking and comraderie. We were pleased to have as our guests the NYSDA President-Elect Dr. Deborah Weisfuse, NYSDA Executive Director Dr. Mark Feldman, numerous retired members, residents from Ellis and St. Joseph’s Hospitals and a 2012 Dental School graduate. Executive Director Ms. Nancy Hess, General Chairman Dr. Michael Breault and the SDC committee are to be commended for their efforts in providing a showcase meeting.

The Fourth District was well represented at the Third NYSDA House of Delegates held at the Roosevelt Hotel NYC June 7-9. Attending for the Fourth were ED Nancy Hess, past Trustee Dr. Mark Bauman, Dr. Fred Wetzel NYSDA Trustee, delegates, Dr. James Galati, Dr. John McCambley, Dr. Wayne Harrison and alternates Dr. Jonathan Schutze, Dr. Michael Breault, Dr. May Hwang and Dr. Richard Dunham. Also attending in support of the Fourth District were Dr. Kirk Gleason and Dr. Michael Breault. The Fourth District Delegation is held in high esteem by the NYSDA.

Planning for the Fall District Events is well underway. Dr. James Galati has provided the leadership for the Infection Control course and Golf Day scheduled for Sept. 14th. This year’s Fall Meeting will be held at the Washington Inn, Saratoga Springs, September 14-16th. The semi-annual business meeting will be held Saturday Sept 15th followed by CE presentations by Dr. Gary DiSanto-Rose and Dr. Fred Marra. Saturday afternoon will include family bowling at the Strike Zone Bowling Center. You will want to be certain to attend, so that you can challenge our District Treasurer, Dr. John Schutze on the indoor bumper car course. Saturday evening will include a fine dinner and a “Feats of the Mind” presentation by Saratogian Brad Zupp. The Fall Meeting has been scheduled locally to enable more of our members to attend. Included on our Fall Calendar are a New Dentist Meeting November 8, at the Prime Grille Clifton Park and the Women’s Dentist Meeting to be held September 29, at Camp Chingacook, Lake George.

Mark your calendar now. Plan to attend our District Activities and take part in the fellowship. Your participation will aid in keeping our profession and District strong. Have a wonderful summer.
Amendment of Bylaws Regarding Parliamentary Procedure

Changes to the bylaws of our dental society require a vote by the membership at a stated meeting of the society and the amendments must be published in an official publication of the society prior to the meeting. Therefore, this article serves to notify the membership of a vote to amend the bylaws at the fall meeting in September. While this amendment is a minor change to the wording of the bylaws, an amendment having a greater impact on the membership would most likely be voted on at the Saratoga Dental Congress, our annual meeting. Interested members can find our bylaws on the Fourth District web site under the membership tab.

The standard code of parliamentary procedure has been recently revised and renamed. The American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure (AIPSCPP) has replaced the Sturgis Code of Parliamentary Procedure as the new parliamentary authority. In addition, NYSDA has recently adopted the AIPSCPP as the rules of order for the proceedings of the House of Delegates. In order to remain current, the Constitution and Bylaws committee recommends the following Bylaws amendment.

(new language underscored; deletions stricken through)

4 ARTILE XI. ORDER OF BUSINESS

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6 Sturgis Code of Parliamentary Procedure shall govern all business sessions

7 of this Society. In addition, the American Institute of Parliamentarian Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure

8 Sturgis Code of Parliamentary Procedure shall

9 govern all matters or questions not otherwise covered in these Bylaws;

10 the Bylaws of the New York State Dental Association or the American

11 Dental Association.

Sec. 60 Election: The annual election of this Society shall be held at the Annual Meeting. Nominees shall be elected by a majority vote as defined by the Sturgis Code of Parliamentary Procedure – The American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure.

Board Meeting Highlights

March 14, 2012

• Board decided not to charge 3rd District Associate Members component dues for the 4th District
• Membership: There were 14 fewer non-renews than last year.
• Dr. Jonathan Schutze was approved to replace Dr. Reisman as Ethics Council Representative.
• Dr. May Hwang was approved to replace Dr. McGill as an Alternate Delegate at the NYSDA HOD Meeting.
• Motion approved for Women Dentist meeting to be for women and invited guests
• Dr. Galati reported that the Missions of Mercy (MOM) event is planned to take place in the spring to early summer of 2013 at Hudson Valley Community College.

April 11, 2012

• Dr. Gleason presented information about the NYS Dental Foundation and their mission to educate members about the scope of their activities.
• New Dentist Meeting, Womens Dentist Meeting, and Fall Meeting/Golf Outing were all discussed
• Dr. Farren- ADA meeting on Membership, Retainment, and Recruitment - New dentists, women, and minorities are target groups for new members. The Fourth District does well in these areas. Dr. Farren will represent the 4th District at the New Dentist meeting in Washington, DC.

June 13, 2012

• Dr. Harold Crossley has been booked as a speaker for the 2014 Saratoga Dental Congress
• Motions passed:
  • Active members in good standing may have access to the 4th District mailing list for dental purposes
  • Any member coming from another district must be confirmed in good standing with that district
News Updates

3rd Annual Golf Outing
Save the date, Friday, September 14th, for another great day of golf and continuing education at the Hiland Park Country Club in Queensbury. The continuing education course in the morning will be “Infection Control for Dental Offices.” This will be presented by Dr. Harold Edelman, will be open to both dentists and hygienists, and will offer OSHA compliance. New York State mandates renewal of infection control every four years and this course was last offered through the Fourth District in 2008. The course will be followed by an afternoon of golf. You may choose to attend for the full day or may attend only the CE course or only the golf tournament if you would like. You should have received an email announcement for this event and registration information is on the website under Events / Annual Golf Tournament. Please contact the District Office with any questions.

Fall Meeting - September 15-16
Please save the date for what is sure to be a wonderful fall meeting. This year’s meeting will be held at The Washington Inn in Saratoga Springs. The fall meeting and the annual golf outing have been scheduled on the same weekend, this year, for convenience. There will be a continuing education course presented by Dr. Fred Marra and another presented by Dr. Gary DiSanto-Rose. Afternoon activities include bowling at the Saratoga Stike Zone and wine tasting in the late afternoon. A dinner reception Saturday night will be at the Washington Inn and feature “Feats of Memory” by Bruce Zupp.

Fourth District Website
Please remember that there is a Classifieds section available on our website. The various sections include dental equipment for sale, practices for sale, associateships wanted, as well as hygienist, dental assistant, and receptionist positions available. Also, please remember to check the website for registration information for upcoming events.

Women Dentist Meeting - September 29
Please save the date for the Women Dentist Meeting. This year it is being held at Camp Chingachgook in Lake George and will be a full day event. There will be lectures [TBD], a Spirit Mind Body Workshop, and sailing or kayaking in the afternoon. Please watch for more details to come.

New Dentist Meeting - November 8
Please save the date for the New Dentist Meeting. This year the meeting will be held at Angelo’s Prime in Clifton Park. Bank of America will be speaking on the setting up a practice. Please watch for more details to come.

Oral Cancer Screening at the Races
A free oral cancer screening is being offered at the Saratoga Race Track on Wednesday, August 8th. Please contact Nancy Hess at the district office if you are interested in receiving information about becoming a volunteer.

Dental Missions of Mercy [MOM] Event
Plans are currently underway for the first New York State based Missions of Mercy Event. This will be a 2 day event, tentatively scheduled for the first Friday and Saturday in June, 2013, and will take place at Hudson Valley Community College.

We anticipate needing about 250 dentist volunteers and 500-1000 other volunteers (Hygienists, Assistants, Staff, and other non-medical volunteers). If you are unfamiliar with the MOM events, or if you would like more information about the organization, please visit www.adcfmom.org. Please consider volunteering and please make your staff aware of the event. Those who have done such events in the past have found it to be a very rewarding experience.

Upcoming Continuing Education

***If you are attending this course: Please bring a cell phone with texting capabilities as Dr. DeLuke intends to make this presentation interactive***
The 2012 Saratoga Dental Congress was held at the Saratoga Springs City Center on May 24-25, 2012. Thank you to all who attended and helped to make this event such a success. Speakers, Dr. Gordon Christensen, Dr. Hal Crossley, and Dr. Barbara Steinberg were both informative and entertaining and were very well received by all attendees. We would like to thank everyone on the SDC committee for all of their hard work organizing the event. Also, a special thanks to all of our vendors for their continued support.

Congratulations to this year’s raffle winners:

Dr. Christina Cocozzo - Yankees/Blue Jays tickets
Dr. Jim Galati - Restaurant gift certificates
Laura Killian - Yankees / Dodgers tickets
Kathy Hoskinson - Restaurant gift certificates
Melissa Plumadore - Kindle Fire

Dr. Sandmann, Dr. Christensen, and Dr. Harrison

Dr. Christensen lecturing to the attendees

Dr. Mark Feldman [NYSDA Executive Director], Dr. Deborah Weisfuse [NYSDA President], Dr. Harrison, and Dr. Harrison

Dr. Bauman supporting our vendors

Dr. Galati, Dr. Schutze, Dr. Bauman, Mrs. McGill, and Dr. McGill [Recipient of The Robert Smith Memorial Award].
Starting July 1, 2012 Brooklyn Hospital Center will be sending oral and maxillofacial surgery residents to rotate at the Oral Surgery Clinic at Ellis Medicine. As part of the affiliation agreement, junior residents will rotate to Ellis Hospital for 2-3 months at a time as part of their training program. Saratoga County Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Associates have worked with the residents from Brooklyn Hospital Center for the past 5 years in the operating rooms at Saratoga Hospital and Ellis Hospital. With the establishment of an oral surgery clinic, Ellis Hospital and Saratoga County Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Associates will be able to contribute more to the training of oral surgeons from Brooklyn Hospital.

The Oral Surgery Clinic at Ellis Medicine opened March 15, 2012. This endeavor was initiated last year by Ellis Hospital and Saratoga County Oral Surgery to provide oral surgery services to the Ellis Dental General Practice Residency and the surrounding community. The clinic provides clinic-based oral surgery with local and IV sedation for patients having difficulty finding care due to lack of insurance, complex medical problems or limited access to care. Oral surgery care available at the clinic includes extractions, wisdom teeth removal, tori removal, alveoplasty as well as oral surgery treatment for pediatric patients. In conjunction with the GPR program, the clinic will be able to provide care for patients with oral lesions and dento-alveolar trauma as patients-of-record at the Dental Health Center.

The Oral Surgery Clinic is staffed by board certified/eligible oral surgeons from Saratoga County Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Associates. Drs. Lionel Bulford, Joseph Olszowka, Nancy McDermott, Seth Farren, and Howard Pressman provide oral surgery care and attending supervision of the oral surgery resident 5 days a week. The clinic is open Monday through Thursday 8:00 to 5:00 and on Friday 8:00 to 3:00. Consultations are required prior to scheduling treatment in the Oral Surgery Clinic.

The Oral Surgery Clinic operates on the philosophy of providing excellent care to the patients of the dental health center and surrounding community. We are dedicated to the training and education of the dental general practice residents and oral surgery residents. We support Ellis Medicine in the effort to increase access to care in communities that often have nowhere else to go. Ellis Hospital, Ellis Dental Health Center and Ellis Oral Surgery Clinic will continue reach out to the community and provide quality health care to patients in need.

MouthHealthy.org - reproduced from ADA news

The ADA announced the launch of its new consumer website on June 25, 2012. The site is designed to provide patients with timely and credible oral health information on prevention, care and treatment in a highly engaging user experience.

The ADA would like members to spread the word to patients. In addition they would like members to know that the ADA Find-A-Dentist has moved to this new site, providing information about members and their practices. Members can update their profiles for ADA Find-A-Dentist on MouthHealthy.org or through the member directory.
Residency Program at Ellis

This is the start of Dr. Fred Wetzel’s second year as the Director of the Residency Program at Ellis. Dr. Wetzel took over the position from Dr. Matt Hall, after Dr. Hall moved to Syracuse to become the director of another program there. Dr. Wetzel has since expanded the program and helped to develop the new Oral Surgery Suite at Ellis. His first class is graduating and he has signed four new residents who will begin very soon. Dr. Wetzel has been delighted with the quality of his residents and is happy to report that three of them will be staying in the area.

CLASS OF 2013

Dr. Maya Gurme grew up in Niskayuna. She is graduating from the University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine and has a BA in Biology from the University of Rochester. While in dental school, Dr. Gurme was the ASDA class representative to the ADA and participated in many community service activities in the Buffalo area.

Dr. Narmeen Minhas was born in Pieta, Malta. She is graduating from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and has a BS Degree from SUNY Binghamton. She has been active in her community participating in both Give Kids a Smile and Habitat for Humanity.

Dr. Avdhesh Patel was born in Bombay, India. He is graduating from the University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine and has a BA in psychology. While in dental school, Dr. Patel volunteered his time to the Buffalo Outreach and Community Assistance program, Give Kids a Smile, and the Emergency Dental Clinic.

Dr. Ryan Smagalski graduated from the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry and has a BA in Biology from the University of Virginia. While at the VCU School of Dentistry, Dr. Smagalski volunteered at the Jamaica Dental Mission Project, Mission of Mercy, and at the VCU Oral Surgery and General Practice Emergency Clinics.

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Dr. Molly Barrett - Will be returning to Connecticut with plans to practice in the Southern New England or Boston area

Dr. Jamie Cohn - Will be working part-time for Dr. Ken Schwartz in Schenectady and part-time as a staff dentist for Ellis Dental Center

Dr. Kate Page - Will be joining Dr. Charles Tramontana and Dr. Erin Page in Colonie and will be part time with Dr. Thomas Pray in Ballston Spa

Dr. Vera Popova - Will be joining Dr. Richard Salvatore Sr. and Dr. Richard Salvatore Jr. in Malta

Continuing Education Award Recipients - 2011

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 2011.

1500 Hours:
Dr. William Bresonis
Dr. Stuart Wieder

1000 Hours:
Dr. James Galati

500 Hours:
Dr. Anthony Cinelli
Dr. Stuart Delman
Dr. Vincent Filanova
Dr. John Manne
Dr. Michael Spielberger
Dr. Benjamin Vinciguerra
Dr. Jeffrey Wilson

300 Hours:
Dr. James Byrne
Dr. James Chauvin
Dr. Christina Cocozzo
Dr. Mitchell Cohen
Dr. Thomas Eigo
Dr. John Fox
Dr. David Gillenwalters
Dr. Richard Green
Dr. Robert Heins
Dr. Matthew Kearney
Dr. Robert Keba

100 Hours:
Dr. Don Evans
Dr. Amanda Marx
Dr. Amy Pfaffenbach
Dr. Paul Rizzo
Dr. Farzad Sani

Dr. Michael Mintz
Dr. Gilbert Smith
Dr. Anne Marie Spear
Dr. Todd Vaccaro
Dr. Bauman and Dr. Galati - ADA Council Chairs

Dr. Mark Bauman and Dr. James Galati, both long time leaders of the Fourth District, have each been elected Chairman of their respective ADA Councils. Dr. Galati will now chair the Council on Annual Sessions and Dr. Bauman will chair the Council on Membership. To have two dentists from our relatively small district on these prestigious ADA Councils is already an honor and to have them each elected Council Chair is unprecedented. ADA Council Chairmanship involves extensive amounts of work and dedication. They not only run the meetings, but also have a lot of influence on the agenda and the work that the committees achieve. They also have the opportunity to network and be involved with the ADA staff, board members, officers, and other leaders. Congratulations to both of them, and we would like to thank them for representing our district in such a profound capacity.

Welcome New Members:

Dr. Lindsey Battiste - Pediatric Dentistry
SUNY at Stony Brook - 2009
University of Rochester-Eastman - 2011 [pediatrics]
Ellis Dental Health Center - Schenectady

Dr. Diana Gabriell - General Dentistry
University of Maryland - 2010
Aspen Dental - Amsterdam

Dr. Diana Sandu - General Dentistry
Boston University - 2010
Ellis Dental Health Center - Schenectady

Dr. Beth Brunner - Oral Surgery
Temple University - 2003
SUNY at Buffalo, M.D. - 2009
Private Practice - Lake Placid

Dr. Sabita Smail - General Dentistry
Georgetown University - 1989
Ellis Dental Health Center - Schenectady

Dr. Martha Breyette - General Dentistry
University of Pennsylvania - 1997
Lake View Dentistry - Plattsburgh

Retired Life Members 2013:

Dr. Mark Bauman  Dr. Steven Eleew  Dr. Donald DeLuke

Active Life Members 2013:

Dr. Mohammad Baghaei-Rad  Dr. Michael O’Connor
Dr. Leonard Buchakjian  Dr. H.John Schutze Jr.
Dr. James Chauvin  Dr. Gary Surman
Dr. Richard Fountain  Dr. Jeffrey Wilson
Dr. Thaddeus Marciniszyn

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Feel free to also contact us with questions or concerns.

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President-Elect - Dr. Doug Sandmann
Vice President - Dr. Loren Baim
Secretary - Dr. Adrienne Korkosz
Treasurer - Dr. H. John Schutze
Executive Director - Mrs. Nancy Hess

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