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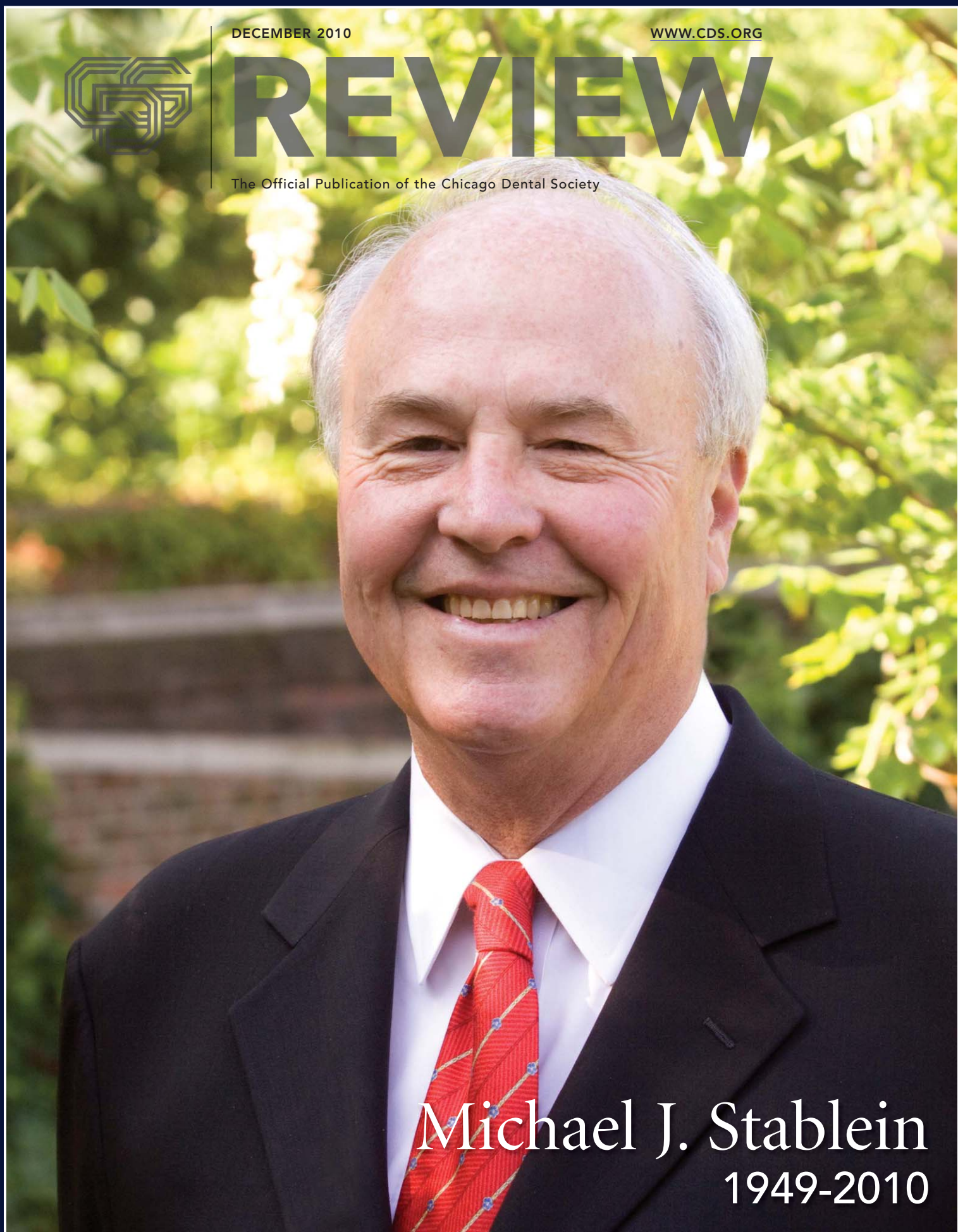


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## September 15 Regional Meeting minutes

The Regional Meeting of the Chicago Dental Society convened at the Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace, at 9:05 a.m., local time, with CDS President Michael Stablein presiding.

Dr. Stablein called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Attention was directed to the minutes of the meeting of Wed., April 21. Inasmuch as the official minutes of the meeting of Wed., April 21, were published in the May/June 2010 issue of the *CDS Review*, a motion was entertained to dispense with reading them.

**Moved** by Patrick Hann, seconded by Jack Lieberman, and carried to dispense with reading the April 21 minutes at this time.

**Moved** by H. Todd Cubbon, seconded by Theodore Borris, and carried to accept the minutes of the meeting of April 21.

There were no reports of the Board, Special or Standing Committees.

There was no new or unfinished business to report.

With no further business, Dr. Stablein called upon Michelle Jennings to introduce Denis Lynch, DDS, PhD, who presented the program entitled "Oral Medicine in 2010: What's Hot and What's Not."

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

## Register today for the 2011 Midwinter Meeting

The 2011 Midwinter Meeting is almost here! CDS once again returns to the McCormick Place West Building for three days of the best in lectures and participation courses, coinciding with a world class dental trade show. All CDS members can register for free and we encourage you not to procrastinate.

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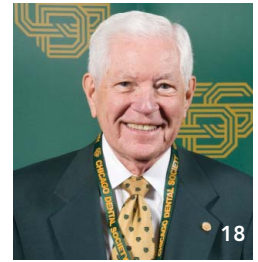
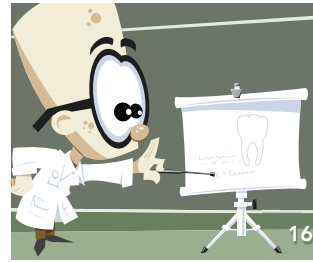
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## President's Perspective by Michael Stablein, DDS, PhD

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# What is your dental degree worth?

**Editor's Note:** Dr. Stablein submitted the following column prior to his Nov. 14 death.

**T**he 2010 House of Delegates of the American Dental Association's Annual Session in Orlando in October did not lack for issues. As in previous years, a large volume of issues that affect dentistry from inside and outside the profession were put before the HOD to consider and formulate ADA policy.

Taking center stage – and not too surprisingly – were workforce and scope of practice issues and the 800-pound gorilla in the room: access to care. I am, like you and our colleagues that served in the House, very concerned about access to care. As oral healthcare professionals, we want all of America, from remote areas in Alaska to the impoverished urban areas of our cities, to have access to quality dental care. And as professionals we understand only a dental team working under the direction of a dentist delivers safe, quality dentistry.

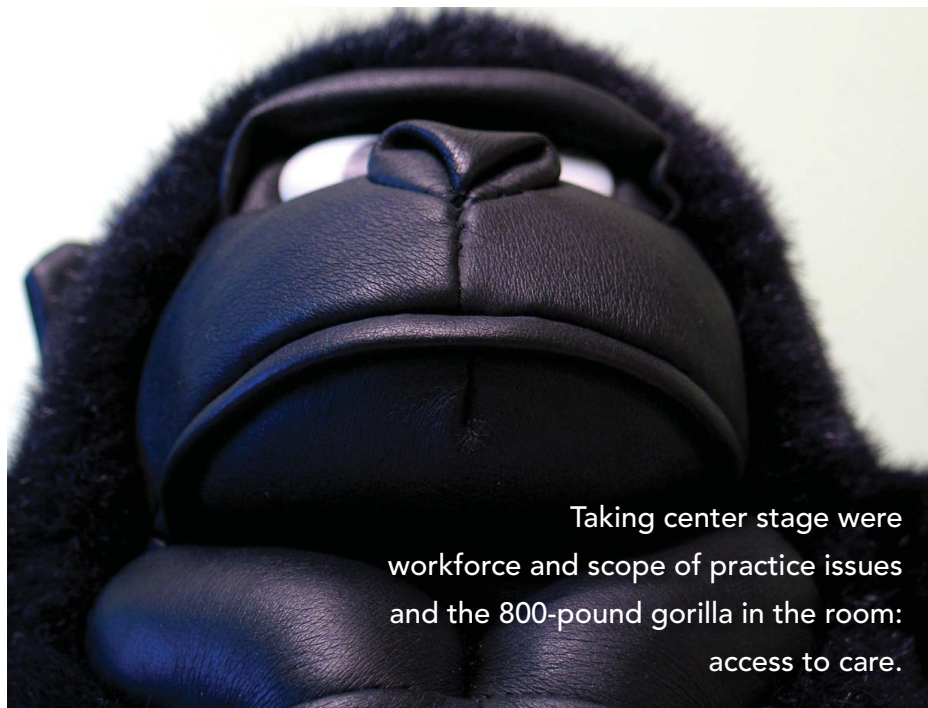
Of course, there are those outside the profession with good intentions (and we know what road is paved with good intentions) who seek to wave a magic wand called mid-level providers and solve the very complex access to care problem.

You will be glad to know that every candidate standing for president-elect and second vice president of ADA unequivocally agrees with you. In fact, President-elect William Calnon of New York made “only a dentist” the sound bite of his campaign.

The gorilla isn't leaving the room and I can't say when or how it will be removed. But as I listened to the debates in the HOD regarding the workforce, a question came to mind.

What is your dental degree worth?

A recent communiqué circulated at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry stated that the average indebtedness of recent graduates hovered around \$193,000. That is not surprising, considering that tuition is over \$50,000 per year. This is a lot of debt with which to enter a profession which carries significant debt to set up a practice: chairs,



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Taking center stage were workforce and scope of practice issues and the 800-pound gorilla in the room: access to care.

instruments, office equipment, electronics, etc. This is a hard way to start a career, but it is what it is. Dentistry, despite all of these financial barriers, is a bright profession.

Why is dentistry a profession? All of the students at the dental college earn four-year undergraduate degrees, complete all the same basic science courses as medical students, and study for four years in an accredited college of dentistry. After all this education and training, an individual can be licensed to treat patients without supervision.

I hope that these requirements are never compromised, neither for the profession nor the patients who trust their dentists.

There was a provision in the *Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act* passed earlier this year to set up programs (15) in the country to train individuals to treat indigent patients. The thought here is that something is better than nothing (as long as it is not my mouth).

There is a sinking feeling in my stomach of a coming situation where an institution educates dentists at severe cost and trains high school graduates for two years to do the same procedures.

Do you share my hope that such doesn't happen at our dental schools? ■

# Michael J. Stablein

## 1949-2010

by Joanna Brown

**C**hicago Dental Society President Michael J. Stablein, DDS, PhD, died Sunday, Nov. 14, in Mexico City. He was 61.

“Mike was a dear friend. He was an exceptional leader at every level of organized dentistry and was passionate about what he did,” said Ian Elliott, CDS president-elect. “He had a wonderful sense of humor, an infectious smile and was at ease with everyone. Mike was happiest when he was with his family and friends, coaching his children and playing with his dog – and let’s not forget his love of cooking. This is truly what brought a smile to his face.”

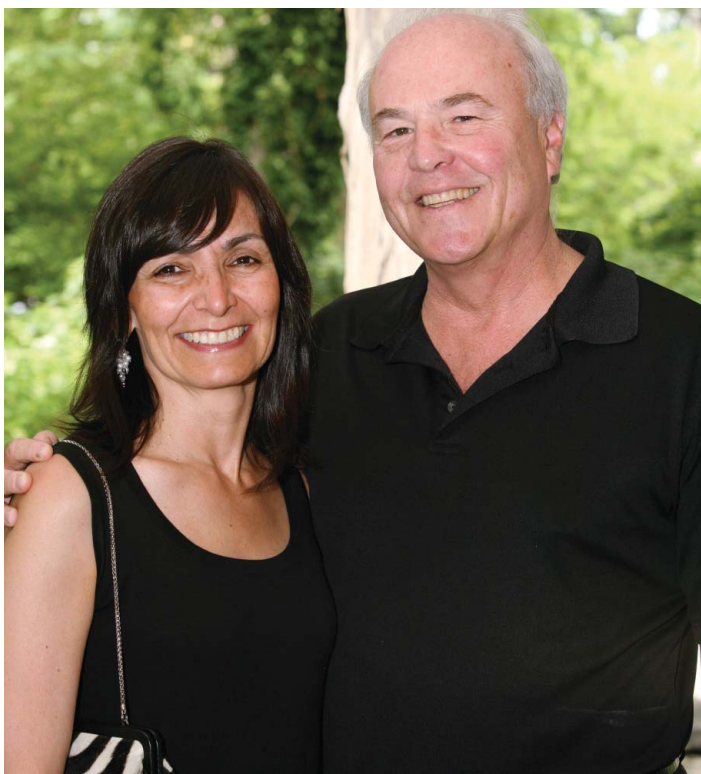
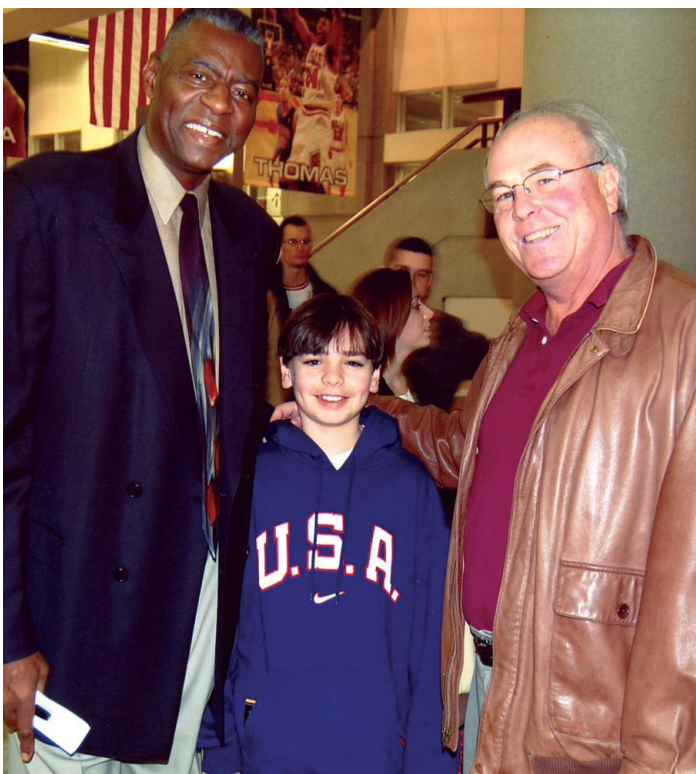
Dr. Stablein was an active member of organized dentistry since his graduation from the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry in 1978. Dr. Stablein was elected treasurer of the Chicago Dental Society in 2006, and rose through the offices. His term as president began January 1, 2010.

“Mike’s leadership skills came through in the warmth of his smile and the devotion he held for the society,” said David Fulton Jr., vice president of CDS. “He wore his feelings on his sleeve and you always knew where he stood on any issue. He was the consummate mentor.”

Leading up to his years with the Board of Directors, Dr. Stablein held all offices in the West Side Branch, culminating in the presidency in 1992-1993







and a three-year term as Branch Director, 1997-1999. He served on CDS's Access to Care, Mediation and Membership committees for several years before turning his attention to the Midwinter Meeting. He ultimately served as General Chair of the 139th Midwinter Meeting in 2004.

Keith Suchy, who served as president of CDS in 2004, said Dr. Stablein's exceptional experience with the Midwinter Meeting motivated him to serve as CDS president. He thought more CDS members should share in his experience.

**"Mike was happiest when he was with his family and friends, coaching his children and playing with his dog – and let's not forget his love of cooking."**

"Mike had so many innovative ideas for including more people, especially young families, in the Midwinter Meeting and a lot of the activities we enjoy. He felt strongly that the success of the meeting was a credit to all of the volunteers," Dr. Suchy said. "It was being involved with the meeting and gathering so many times with so many people that changed Mike's idea of what he wanted to do.

"Mike really wanted to encourage young doctors with families to participate. He believed that CDS events were appropriate for family participation. Mike and I both had young children at that time, and he wanted to show that CDS was a comfortable place to bring volunteerism, the profession and your personal life all together."

Dr. Stablein was also an accomplished scholar. He held a certificate in periodontics and a doctorate in pathology from UIC. He published several journal articles, and co-authored a chapter in *The Histology of the Oral Mucosa*. He was an instructor in periodontics and

## The art of persuasion was Dr. Stablein's forte

As president of the Chicago Dental Society, Mike Stablein managed by the art of gentle persuasion to reach consensus.

Although he accomplished several meaningful goals in his year as president, I think he would agree with me that the formation of a Governmental Affairs Committee (GAC) was his greatest hit.

Mike was deeply troubled by the closing of seven Cook County dental clinics and the three City of Chicago dental clinics that forced dental care for the underserved into hospital emergency rooms

Instead of wringing his hands, he persuaded the CDS Board to form the GAC to monitor decisions of the county boards of Lake, DuPage and Cook that impact the practice dentistry.

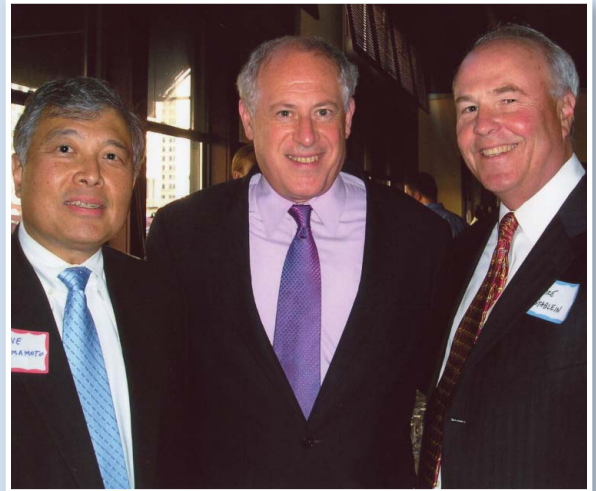
Privately, Mike marshaled a number of concerned dentists to support Toni Preckwinkle for president of the Cook County Board. By friendly persuasion, he convinced a number of dentists to attend a fundraiser for her. In her he saw a

chance to reopen some if not all of Cook County's dental clinics.

Ms. Preckwinkle recognized his passion for the aiding the underserved by naming him to her Health Advisory Committee. Sadly, he will not be able to serve in a post that fit his talents so well.

I considered Mike a friend, one of scores he made in his lifetime. His death diminishes us all.

— Walter Lamacki



Dr. Stablein pictured with Gov. Pat Quinn and 2009 CDS President David Kumamoto.

pathology at the UIC Medical Center from 1978-1987.

Dr. Stablein received the F. William Towner Organized Dentistry Activity Award from the UIC College of Dentistry, for significant and meritorious activity in organized dentistry, in 2006. He had been on the UIC Dental Alumni Board of Directors since 2004.

"Dr. Stablein will be sorely missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. Our deepest sympathies and condolences go out to Caroline and his children," said Charles Thometz, speaking on behalf of the West Side Branch.

Despite this accomplished career in

periodontics, Dr. Stablein was most proud of his family. He put his children before all else.

"I always thought it was exceptional that he coached all of his children in one sport or another. He was always running off to be with them at a game," said David Kumamoto, who preceded Dr. Stablein as president of CDS. "I don't know how he had time to watch movies, but he knew all the lines to any movie. His humor will be missed."

Dr. Stablein is survived by his wife, Dr. M. Caroline Scholtz, and their four children: Michael, Gabriela, Andrew and Amelia. ■

## He was an advocate for access, political involvement

During his term as president, Dr. Stablein shared strong feelings about several topics. The following clips from past issues of the *CDS Review* demonstrate his passion for access to care and the importance of political involvement, among other areas of interest.

Many of our colleagues provide pro bono care to the indigent. But the number of dentists involved in such care are not sufficient to meet the needs of so many who require oral healthcare but do not possess the resources to obtain it. And frankly, I think it is unlikely a dental workforce to care for the underserved is a realistic concept in a state where reimbursement is much less than the cost to care for these patients.

— September/October

Like it or not, government influences all phases of our lives. The dental office is not exempt; certainly unreasonable regulation is not welcomed. But at the same time, there are societal issues so enormous that they require the involvement and assistance of governments to resolve.

— May/June

You choose your level of participation in baseball or organized dentistry. And, up to a point, your level of participation is the key to your ability to affect change in government or politics or dentistry or access to care or any number of issues.

— March/April

To stay successful, your society needs your energy. Your society needs your enthusiasm. Your society needs your focus. I know you will be there for your society. You always have been.

— January/February (Installation speech)



## CDS Board remembers a good friend

At the annual Installation of Officers Nov. 14 at the Ritz Carlton, speakers remembered Dr. Stablein.

An emotional David Fulton Jr., who as vice president of CDS assumes the duties of president until the end of the year, presided over the installation ceremonies.

"Through the annals of time, tonight has been an evening much anticipated by both your outgoing and incoming presidents. Historically, tonight provides a final, very public opportunity for your president to thank his team for a job well done. I am saddened, as we all are, that Mike cannot be here tonight. . . to hear the applause from his CDS family and to feel our pats on his back. But I know that he would want us to carry on in his absence," Dr. Fulton said, prior to the showing of a slide presentation he prepared of Dr. Stablein's year as president. Many of the slides featured two things Dr. Stablein valued dearly, his CDS friends and family.

As is the tradition, the installation ceremonies closed with the incoming president addressing the attendees.

The majority of 2011 President Ian Elliott's remarks focused on Dr. Stablein and their relationship.

"My relationship with Mike had gotten closer over the years. He felt it was his duty to share his experience and knowledge of CDS, and I learned much from Mike," Dr. Elliott said. He added that Dr. Stablein had a terrific sense of humor that he applied to his duties as president of CDS.

Dr. Stablein, he said, was a "sharing and caring guy. . . a good guy," who was an efficient and outstanding president of CDS.

Illinois State Dental Society President Darryll Beard, serving as installing officer, spoke to the audience about his "great friend Mike," noting Dr. Stablein's tireless dedication to the profession and his volunteerism.

— Will Conkis



Michael Stablein and his wife, Coco, with Ian and Jan Elliott.

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■ **ADA Annual Session**

# 8th District initiative paves way for financial oversight

by Will Conkis



**8th District Trustee Dennis Manning addressed the House of Delegates during his campaign for ADA president-elect. New York's William Calnon emerged victorious from a crowded field.**

**A**gainst the backdrop of a four-way race for president-elect of the American Dental Association and a prodigious number of resolutions before the 2010 House of Delegates in Orlando in October, the amount of resolutions coming out of the 8th District (Illinois) was less than overwhelming, but meaningful.

But while not large in number of resolutions, two of the resolutions that the 8th District put on the floor had big-picture impact, affecting House oversight of ADA finances and aiding states in resisting the establishment of mid-level providers by legislatures.

Last year in the wake of lengthy closed-door sessions with attorneys, questions and concerns about the ADA's finances and financial operations, and overall discontent with ADA staff by delegates, fiscally conservative delegates successfully propelled a resolution through the House to establish a Special Committee on Financial Affairs to study and establish a Council on Financial Affairs by amending the bylaws of the as-

sociation. The 2009 House wished to establish the council in order to assure future delegates direct oversight of the ADA's finances, as councils report directly to the House.

While the Special Committee recommended amending the bylaws to establish the council, a resolution to amend failed to receive the required two-thirds majority vote, despite support of the Budget, Business and Administrative Matters Reference Committee. In a less contentious atmosphere than last year, the House voted 61 to 39 percent to amend the bylaws.

The estimated yearly cost of \$300,000 to fund the proposed council and the lack of a firm sunset date for the council worked against the supporters of the council. Opponents, who felt ADA staff and the Board of Trustees had taken significant steps to address the concerns about finances and management of them raised by last year's House, noted those points often in the floor debate and the Reference Committee hearings.

There was a resolution calling for a Special Joint Committee of the House and Board of Trustees to conduct a "sunset review" of the council at the five-year anniversary of formation of the council. When the bylaws amendment failed, the resolution was declared moot, as were two other resolutions related to the proposed council. Opponents characterized the "sunset review" as nebulous.

While the council was defeated, the concept of direct oversight of finances by the House survived because of an 8th

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District resolution which supported the establishment of the council. As a back-up strategy, the district submitted a resolution calling for the Special Committee on Financial Affairs to be continued for one more year, at an estimated cost of \$110,000. The House, 73 percent Yes to 27 percent No, approved the resolution, amended through a substitute resolution.

Charged with a number of financial review duties, including evaluation of staff retirement plan designs and assumptions, the Special Committee will also report to the 2011 House on the effectiveness of a special committee structure to assist the House in fulfilling its fiduciary responsibilities.

In addition to concerns about fiscal responsibility taking center stage in the House, considerable attention was devoted to workforce and scope of practice, and mid-level providers, whom forces outside the profession promote as a solution to providing service to the underserved. All four candidates for president-elect made opposition to mid-level providers a plank of their platforms.

Noting the mid-level provider battles are taking place in state legislature, the 8th District authored a resolution calling for the ADA to provide print and radio advertisements that would aid constituents and components in opposing legislation establishing mid-level providers in their states.

However, ADA staff estimated the cost of providing advertising campaigns at \$30 million.

Testimony at the Legal, Legislative and Public Affairs Reference Committee hearings stated the resolution was intended to have the ADA develop tools for constituents and components using existing resources.

The Reference Committee offered a substitute resolution eliminating the financial impact and clarifying the intent of the resolution, which passed in the House easily.

### House debates workforce issues, mid-level provider programs

As if to emphasize the challenge seen facing the profession by most of them, delegates to the House spent a full session debating workforce and scope of

practice issues, including mid-level providers and pilot programs.

Most of the debate and time was devoted to three of the four resolutions coming out of the Council on Dental Practice's Subcommittee on Workforce Issues, created by the Council in May 2009 in anticipation of bylaw changes regarding workforce issues. The three resolutions encompassed seven resolutions reviewed by the subcommittee in hearings.

Opponents to amending the policy argued it would provide a weapon to special interest groups seeking to put mid-level providers in place in many states as a means to address access to care issues. Proponents said the change would allow the ADA to participate in and gather information on pilot programs and protect supervision of the dental team by the dentist. . .

Resolution 92RC amended the ADA's policy on opposition to pilot programs that allow non-dentists to diagnose and perform irreversible procedures. That policy was rescinded. The new policy allows the ADA to "critically review and seek opportunity for input into any pilot program or study" that has the potential to impact the profession.

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Resolution 132, which precipitated considerable debate on the House floor, was proposed by the Workforce Issues Committee in lieu of three resolutions that drew significant pro and con testimony in hearings. The resolution, receiving a favorable vote from 83 percent of the House, extensively amends the

Comprehensive Policy Statement on Allied Dental Personnel.

Among the more significant changes is the addition of the Community Dental Health Coordinator (CDHC), an ADA pilot program in which an individual is trained as a health worker with dental skills, to the glossary which defines allied dental personnel. The revised policy states: "Their aim is to improve oral health education and to assist at-risk communities with disease prevention."

The CDHC functions under the supervision of a dentist.

According to the policy, CDHCs have limited clinical duties, including screenings, fluoride treatments, placement of sealants and temporary restorations, and simple teeth cleanings, until the patient can receive treatment from a dentist or hygienist.

Also approved by the House with minimal discussion was Resolution 46RC that reaffirms the ADA will strive to maintain the high quality of oral health-care by maintaining that only the dentist can perform examinations/evaluations, diagnoses, and treatment planning, as well as surgical procedures.

### Trustees use surplus funds from 2009 to reduce dues increase

With no debate, the House approved a \$7 increase in dues. Ninety-nine percent of the House voted Yes.

The House approved an operating budget that grew to \$116 million after delegates added \$1.5 million to the spending.

Those increases could have put the dues increase at more than \$20 per member to balance the budget. But the Board of Trustees meeting in emergency

session before the dues vote – the last order of business for the House – earmarked surplus funds from the 2009 and 2010 fiscal years to defray expenses not covered in the 2011 operating budget by the dues increase of \$7. The increase put ADA dues at \$505 for 2011.

Also facing virtually no resistance in the House was a one-time special assessment of \$23 to cover “key technology infrastructure improvements.” These include upgrades for systems in human resources, finance, e-commerce, content management and e-mail.



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The House rejected the motion. If it

had succeeded, each decision package would have been placed before the House for an up and down vote, which was the purpose of the motion. A number of delegates support having each decision package face an up-down vote in every House as part of the budget process. Cost for all the 2011 packages was listed as approximately \$2 million in the budget.

One project adding \$500,000 to the operating budget is expansion of the tripartite marketing collaborative program. With a market share below 70 percent,

the lowest level in 20 years, the House agreed with the Council on Membership and Planning and the Board of Trustees that the additional spending is an “investment” in the lifeblood of the ADA.

The House approved spending \$75,000 to provide 12 month-calendar year electronic dues payments. Supporters said that, because young dentists are

accustomed to such payment schedules and difficult economic times make payment plans appealing to all members, the funding and change in the bylaws would aid membership growth. The House vote was 93 percent in favor of the funding and bylaws amendment.

**William Calnon survives crowded ballot for ADA president-elect**

The crowded ballot for 2011 ADA president-elect lead the House to change the bylaws governing elections.

While it took only two ballots to decide the four-way race, an overwhelming majority of delegates apparently thought it was “inherently unfair” that it didn’t take three ballots to settle the election.

In new business, 80 percent of the House approved amending the bylaws to change the runoffs for the office when no candidate receives a majority of the votes on the first ballot.

Now when that happens in a president-elect contest, only the candidate with the lowest vote total on the first ballot will be removed from the runoff.

William Calnon of New York was selected president-elect on the second ballot in a runoff with California’s Russell Webb. But if the amended bylaws had been in place, the runoff would have been a three-way race.

The other two candidates, past Chicago Dental Society president Dennis Manning and Mary Krempasky Smith of Washington, were removed from the second ballot when Drs. Webb and Calnon were identified as the top two vote-getters. The number of votes each candidate receives is not announced by the ADA.

Following the runoff, each candidate was allowed a brief moment to address the House.

Dr. Manning, who is finishing a four-year term on the Board of Trustees, congratulated Dr. Calnon and thanked his colleagues for the privilege of serving the ADA members and the profession. He also thanked CDS and the Illinois State Dental Society for supporting and aiding his campaign.

There has not been a president of ADA from Chicago in more than a half-century, when Harold Oppice served in 1950.

Joseph Hagenbruch, a CDS associate



Thomas Sullivan



Joseph Hagenbruch

member from Harvard, IL, succeeds Dr. Manning as 8th District trustee. He was sworn into office during the House session.

Dr. Manning wasn't the only CDS member finishing a term of office for the ADA. Thomas Sullivan completed his term of office as ADA first vice president. Dr. Sullivan also addressed the House and thanked the delegates for giving him the opportunity to serve.

There was another contested election during the House. Patricia Blanton of Texas was elected second vice president of ADA. Her opponent was Lee Jess of Minnesota.

Thomas Soliday of Maryland was again elected Speaker of the House, an office he has held since 2002.

At next year's House in Las Vegas, O. Andy Elliott of Kentucky will run against Robert Faiella of Massachusetts for 2012 president-elect. ■

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■ **ISDS Annual Session**

# Delegates debate the role of mid-level providers

by Joanna Brown

**B**usiness was at the forefront of the Illinois State Dental Society's 146th Annual Session. Delegates debated the role of the mid-level provider and expanded function for dental assistants and hygienists, as well as the society's operating budget, member dues and a special assessment to fund building improvements.

ISDS members gathered September 24-26 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Champaign. There, trustees adopted a budget of \$2.7 million. This includes a deficit in excess of \$46,000.

Income of \$2.6 million is expected, in part because of several resolutions approved that weekend. The 50 percent discount was removed from dues paid by active lifetime members; they will instead pay the same amount as regular ISDS members. In a magnanimous gesture, several active life members spoke in favor of raising the dues to 100 percent before the vote.

ISDS dues for 2011 was raised \$10, to \$340. The resolution states that ISDS dues for 2010 was the 11th lowest among states, and that the average constituent dues are \$476.

ISDS members can also expect an \$18 special assessment in 2011 to fund structural maintenance and repairs to the ISDS headquarters. While insurance will cover the price of vandalism to two HVAC units (copper coils were stolen), the roof requires immediate replacement. ISDS originally requested a \$24 assessment on all members, as the carpet and tile, subflooring, wall coverings, wooden door and lights all require replacement or repair.

Delegates voted to pursue legislation that will change the *Illinois Dental Practice Act* to allow dentists and dental hygienists to earn up to four CE credit hours per license renewal period for volunteer hours spent providing care in a community clinic or a charity event organized by a recognized organization. CDS member Gregory Jacob, who also serves on the CDS Access to Care Committee, initiated this resolution.

Dr. Jacob said it makes sense that Illinois adopt such a policy that complies with the American Dental Association's position; 12 other states already comply.

"All participants in such clinics and events will now experience not only the importance of providing needed care but also the enormous opportunities to continually learn and improve in providing this care," he said.

Regarding the role of the mid-level provider, ISDS delegates outlined – after three hours of vigorous wordsmithing – the society's position: that the dentist, as head of

the dental team, should maintain responsibility for surgical procedures, examination and evaluation, and treatment planning, and that all other dental team members should be under the supervision of that dentist.

Delegates also endorsed a plan to pursue legislative and regulatory permission for dental assistants with addi-



**The 2010-11 ISDS Board (L-R): J. Barry Howell, Brian Soltys, Darryll Beard, Edward Segal and Robert Bitter.**

tional formal education to place, carve and finish amalgam restorations.

Besides the business, several ISDS members were honored. First came the election of officers: CDS member Robert Bitter, president-elect; CDS associate member J. Barry Howell, vice president; CDS associate member Brian Soltys, treasurer; CDS member Edward Segal, secretary.

Installed as trustees from the Chicago district were Barbara Mousel, Gary Alder and David Dooley. Others elected were Robert Dawe, of Granville; Richard



Gregory, of Quincy; Randall Markarian, of Swansea; and Scott Prose, of St. Charles.

CDS member Paul Kattner was re-elected speaker of the House, and CDS associate member Timmothy Schwartz was elected vice speaker.

Outgoing President Larry Osborne thanked his board, committees and the House for their support in making the past year successful, before installing the new trustees and officers – his final official act. CDS associate member Darryll Beard was installed as the society’s 147th president.

Dr. Beard in his acceptance speech stressed unity as his goal, echoing his theme for the coming year *Dentistry: One Team, One Dream*. He stated his guiding principle of leadership would be “once a job is begun, never leave ‘til it’s done.”

Robert Unger was honored at the Governor’s Club luncheon for nearly 50 years of service to ISDS’s political action committees, LICID and its successor,

Dent-IL-PAC. A resolution recognizing his work has been presented to the Illinois Legislature. State Rep. Tom Cross (R-84th District) spoke at the luncheon about the November elections.

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Jon Nickelsen, of the Fox River Valley Dental Society, received the William J. Greek Memorial Leadership Award. The award is given to a dentist who has been in practice no more than 10 years, exhibited a sincere involvement in society affairs, and demonstrated exemplary leadership.

Past ISDS executive director and honorary member Robert Rechner received the Distinguished Member Award. After retiring, Mr. Rechner remained active in society affairs and serves on the ISDS Foundation Board. Among other projects, he was an early volunteer for ISDS’s inaugural Mission of Mercy.

Annual Session attendees were also treated to much entertainment. The meeting opened with keynote speaker Kyle Cline addressing the University of Illinois’s discontinued mascot, Chief Illiniwek. Mr. Cline was the 35th and final Chief Illiniwek in 2007.

The weekend closed with dancing to Sojourn Rocks, at the President’s Reception and Dinner Dance, honoring Dr. and Mrs. Osborne for their year of service to ISDS. ■

Walter Lamacki contributed to this report.

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by Joanna Brown

**T**here are a few invitations in this world that make otherwise reasonable adults twitch nervously in anticipation; brunch with your new boyfriend’s mom and any kind of reunion come to mind first.

For some professionals, a request to talk to the local nursery school class about dentistry evokes a similar anxiety. But this shouldn’t be the case, local experts say. Planning ahead and letting the children participate in your presentation will make you as comfortable in their classroom as you want them to be in your office.

“Young children are literal thinkers who are working on their vocabularies, self-regulation, their abilities to interpret and express their emotions, and the difference between reality and fantasy,” said Gail Conway, executive director of the Chicago Metro Association for the Education of Young Children. “Young children depend on adults to interpret events and life experiences and use adults as their emotional barometer.”

The American Dental Association reported that nearly 13,000 dentists and 37,000

The goal in all these activities is to help young children anticipate what will happen during their next trip – which may be their first trip – to the dentist’s office.

other volunteers participated in registered Give Kids a Smile Day activities in 2010. Sixty of them were in Illinois.

If you're one of those professionals who's invited to make a classroom visit in 2011, ask the teacher who's hosting you to tell you a bit about the students you'll meet. Ask about their classroom's policies and practices regarding even the simplest things, like how students address adults (Dr. Smith? Miss Mary?) and where they will be sitting when you arrive; will you be addressing them from the front of the classroom, or sitting with them in a more intimate place, like a rug?

North suburban pediatric dentist Melissa Vargas said the classrooms she visits often have already talked about or read books about going to the dentist's office before she arrives. The students are therefore eager to see her and start a discussion.

"They're going to be excited, and they will all want to talk about themselves," she said. "Be patient with the process. Don't expect them all to raise their hands every time."

Ask the teacher how to handle the children's involvement in the discussions you lead. Ask about the classroom rules and practices the children are used to. And get ready to smile a lot.

If you plan to bring goodie bags for students, ask the teacher ahead of time if you should distribute them or leave them for the teacher to hand out at the end of the school day.

Once you're there, Dr. Vargas advised sticking to the basics. "I want to introduce what the students will see and what will happen when they are in the dentist's office. We talk a little about why they brush their teeth, but my goal is to make the process familiar by explaining it to them in a place that is familiar – their school – so that when they do go to a dentist's office they say 'oh, yeah, I remember that.'"

She carries a bag with her that contains everything she wears in the operatory. After she meets the students looking like a regular adult in street clothes, they watch her put on her coat, gloves, mask and protective eyewear that they might see their own dentists wearing in the office.

"It's almost a Mr. Rogers approach, where I can go in and introduce myself and then I get ready for my day. I introduce things in very concrete ways, one at a time, in ways they understand."

As an example, Dr. Vargas used a mirror. Everyone has one at home in the bathroom, but they're not as tiny as the one she uses. She asks students why they think her mirror is so tiny.

When you initiate these discussions, Ms. Conway advised, choose your words carefully.

"Preschoolers have magical thinking and take everything literally. They do not understand double meanings behind teasing, sarcasm, jokes or feelings," she said. Instead of joking with them the way you might with a teenage patient, address young children at eye-level and use simple, direct, age-appropriate language to help them understand the role you play in their lives.

And when it is the students' turn to talk, listen carefully to what they tell you. Children express their feelings through their stories, Ms. Conway explained, so try to figure out how they feel about the dentist through the stories they tell.

"Do not advise, reason with them or

try and change their minds," she said. "Validate children's feelings by listening without judgment. Think about their perceptions, their understanding and the areas they will need a better understanding of over time." Having books about visiting the dentist and the tools you use in your office when you visit the classroom will help young children experience, and therefore understand, what they will see, hear, touch or taste in your office.

The goal in all these activities is to help young children anticipate what will happen during their next trip – which may be their first trip – to the dentist's office.

"Children's concept of time, their sense of past, present or future, is developing. They live in the here and now and depend on routines to anticipate what is expected," Ms. Conway said. Teach young students words and phrases to communicate about their dental health and a trip to the dentist.

Toward this end, Dr. Vargas advised:

"Talk about losing a tooth, too, so that they know it's supposed to happen. I had a patient who lost his first tooth and asked his mom to put it back in." ■

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## GIVE STUDENTS A HEAD START ON THEIR DENTAL EDUCATION

If the advice offered by Dr. Vargas and Ms. Conway seems like second nature, Dr. Vargas knows a few places where you can put your confidence to good use. She and Charles Czerepak are leading Illinois's participation in the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry's Head State Dental Home Initiative, which aims to create a national network of dentists to link Head Start students with dental homes as a way to address the issue of access to care.

This includes not only caring for students, but also working with parents and teachers to make sure they can reinforce lessons of good oral care at home and school.

"We're working with established networks; ours is not a new idea," explained Dr. Vargas. "We want to identify the gaps so we can all work more efficiently."

Dentists who choose to participate in the Dental Home Initiative will determine their own level of participation, Dr. Vargas said, whether that is adopting a whole classroom or seeing just a few students for regular care.

"We're going to do whatever we can in whatever small way to address this issue," she said.

For more information on the successes of the AAPD Dental Home Initiative over the past three years, visit [www.aapd.org/headstart](http://www.aapd.org/headstart).

# Remembering Dr. Irwin Robinson

**CDS President, 1983-84**

by Joanna Brown

**P**ast Chicago Dental Society president Dr. Irwin B. Robinson died Monday, Aug. 30. He was 90 years old.

A Chicago native, Dr. Robinson spent his life in service to his profession, serving both the Chicago Dental Society and the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) College of Dentistry for decades.

Dr. Robinson held all offices in CDS's West Side Branch, including a term as branch president in 1968. He served as director in 1969-1972, and chaired the Closed Circuit TV committee for the 113th Midwinter Meeting in 1978. He rose to the office of CDS president in 1983-84.

"It was in this spirit of giving back to the community which so wonderfully helped out a poor boy from the West Side of Chicago that my Dad became so involved in organized dentistry – a vehicle where he felt dentists could give back to the underserved," explained son Jamie Robinson, himself a dentist, past director of the Chicago Dental Society and a current trustee of the Chicago Dental Society Foundation. "My father's motives in organized dentistry were always pure and selfless; he was humble, quiet about his accomplishments, and driven by honesty and integrity. My Dad truly loved people and the profession of dentistry, and with this wonderful combination he was a sure bet to be a standout in organized dentistry."

Dr. Robinson earned his dental degree from UIC in 1945, and a Masters degree in 1954. He completed his oral surgery residency at Cook County Hospital.

His dental career included both private practice dentistry and teaching as an assistant professor of oral surgery at UIC's graduate and undergraduate schools. He mentored many students.



"He was a brilliant faculty member, an active member of our Alumni Board, and a writer for our alumni magazine until his passing. Dr. Robinson was a giant in the annals of the College's history and in organized dentistry," UIC College of Dentistry Dean Bruce Graham said in a prepared release. "He gave of himself in so many ways and touched thousands of lives as a teacher, mentor, oral surgeon, Alumni Board member, and leader in organized dentistry. He offered both his personal time and his many treasures to benefit the lives of others."

His dedication to UIC extended outside the classroom. Dr. Robinson served as president of the Dental Alumni Association in 1961.

Explained Mark Valentino, UIC's Assistant Dean for Advancement and Alumni Affairs, in an e-mail: "Dr. Robinson was a member of the board of directors for a longer period of time than any member in the organization's history and we were proud to name the President's Leadership Award in his honor at the April 23 Reunion Dinner."

Dr. Robinson was a member of several professional societies and fraternities. He served as president of the Chicago Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons and the Alpha Omega Fraternity Illinois Alumni Chapter

Dr. Robinson was also active in community affairs. He was a past president of the Niles Township Jewish Congregation and a past director of the dental division of the Jewish United Fund. He was a tireless volunteer, working with indigent patients at The Ark Clinic in Chicago for 30 years.

Dr. Robinson also was an accomplished painter, a hobby he took up in the last 10 years.

He is survived by his wife, Louise; children Louis (Jackie) Robinson; Jamie (Carol) Robinson; Maris (Peter) Nathan; Barbara (Gregg) Dorner; Joanne Shaw; and James (Nancy) Sliver; 16 grandchildren; and two great grandchildren will be born soon. ■

The family requested that donations made in Dr. Robinson's honor be directed to one of the following:

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# Spooky Zoo Spectacular

Volunteers remind trick-or-treaters to brush after indulging in sweets

by Rachel Azark



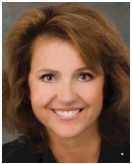
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The rain stopped and the sun came out just as the trick-or-treaters got in line Saturday, Oct. 23, at the Lincoln Park Zoo's Spooky Zoo Spectacular. The zoo hosts the free event so that families might celebrate the holiday in a safe and family-friendly environment. An estimated 25,000 children made their way through the zoo, visiting booths to pick up treats and to visit different activities and performances.

For the 14th year, CDS partnered with Crest Oral-B to hand out toothbrushes and toothpaste, and to remind the children to brush their teeth after all their sweets. The Illinois Institute of Technology Pre-dental Club and Dr. Jun Lim were also on hand to distribute the oral health goodies.

Kids clad in costumes ranging from scary to sweet waited in line by the warthogs and wild dogs before receiving their toothbrushes and toothpaste. ■





## In Other Words by Mary M. Byers, CAE

Read Mary Byers' online column, The Front Desk, at [www.cds.org](http://www.cds.org).

# Managing your online reputation

**S**ocial media is here to stay. As of this writing, 96 percent of Millennials (those born between 1980 and 2000) have joined a social network. *Facebook* added more than 200 million users in less than one year and is now the third largest "nation" behind China and India. The fastest growing segment on *Facebook* is 55-65 year-old females.

Though you may not be a social media participant, you should at least be listening to the conversation about you online. Sites like [healthgrades.com](http://healthgrades.com), [localsearch.com](http://localsearch.com) and [doctoroogle.com](http://doctoroogle.com) offer individuals the opportunity to post reviews of dentists. (In fact, as of this writing, [doctoroogle.com](http://doctoroogle.com) has reviews posted for 5,900 Chicago dentists. Are you one of them? You should know.)

Here's how to monitor the online "conversation" about you.

**Establish a "listening" post by signing up for Google Alerts.** Doing so is fast, easy and free. Once you sign up, you can enter the names you want to monitor. Start with your name (and any variations thereof), the names of all the dentists in your practice, and the name of your company/practice if you have one. You determine how you are notified – via e-mail or RSS feed reader.

**Utilize Twitter search.** Use this tool to monitor the same names as above. You can then subscribe to an RRS feed for this query (upper right-hand corner) and have these delivered via feed reader as well.

**Determine whether or not you'll engage in the conversation.** Consult with your personal attorney to decide when, and if, you'll enter the conversation. If someone says something positive about you, you may want to thank them. If someone says something negative, you may choose to ignore the comment. Many risk-management companies advise not publicly responding, as there is a common misconception that once the patient has divulged private information his or her disclosure protects you from violating the patient's privacy rights if you reply. (Whatever you do, you don't want to make matters worse by engaging in the conversation.)

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**Check to see if the website has a protocol for removal of potentially libelous postings.** (Libel is a written false statement of fact.) Follow the process to request removal of the information, but realize this may take time and effort.

**If possible, solve the problem.** If you know without a doubt who posted the comment and you have both the permission and the blessing of your attorney, and you believe the patient won't be offended by your follow up, contact the patient and offer to solve the problem. This is simply good customer service. Use discernment when taking this step, however. Some patients may not expect you to see what they've written online and may be uncomfortable when you acknowledge their comments.

**Look for patterns.** Online comments can provide excellent patient feedback regarding your practice. Multiple patients complaining about the wait times in your office provides a heads-up that your schedule needs attention. Numerous comments about the quality of work done should give you pause. Though isolated comments may not be cause for concern, repetitive feedback deserves consideration. ■



To learn more about turning patient reviews into opportunities for growth, refer to the September/October 2008 issue of the *CDS Review* posted online at [http://www.cds.org/pdf/cds\\_review/user\\_reviews\\_sept.08.pdf](http://www.cds.org/pdf/cds_review/user_reviews_sept.08.pdf).

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# HEART ATTACK, STROKE, OBESITY

## Is Dentistry to Blame?



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A native of California, Dr. Allman was a 1982 graduate of Santa Clara University and a 1986 graduate of UCLA School of Dentistry. Locating his practice in Reno following graduation. Dr. Allman has developed a unique blend of diagnosis and therapy using state-of-the-art diagnostic equipment for all facets of general dentistry, non-surgical TMJ diagnosis and therapy and oral appliances for Snoring and Sleep

Apnea. Over the past 23 years, he has attended thousands of hours of advanced postgraduate continuing education courses throughout the country concerning crown and bridge procedures, endodontics, oral surgery, dentures and partials, periodontics, orthodontics, craniofacial pain, TMJ disorder diagnosis and therapy and oral appliance therapy for Snoring and Sleep Apnea.

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# It's the Law by Petra von Heimburg, DDS, JD

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## Getting personal: Managing personnel files

In prior columns I have written about patient record keeping and the need for documentation in order to avoid – or at least minimize – possible legal problems with patients. The same mantra, “document, document, document,” applies to the staff in the office, be they employees or independent contractors.

Personnel problems are part of any working environment. Dental offices require appropriate staffing in order to provide effective dental treatment in an efficient and professional environment. Proper interview protocols and periodic performance evaluations are important tools for keeping the office running smoothly. They are also essential as supporting evidence in any disciplinary actions or terminations of staff members.

For a dentist to keep proper personnel files, he or she must consider certain key questions. What information should be kept in the files, what should be left out? Does an employee have the right to access the files, make copies, or object to some inclusions? The concerns are numerous.

As a general rule, I advise clients to place information which pertains directly to the employment of persons in their respective personnel files. Such items include: employment applications, grievances and complaints, vacation days taken, copies of any licenses, jury duty summons, W-4 and 1099 forms, salary information, performance reviews, written warnings and termination information, as well as other information having a bearing on the staff member's position in the office.

Among items to be excluded from a personnel file are: employer investigations, such as information given by one employee about another; letters of reference; materials which have a bearing on the business plan or staffing; and any documents which refer to an existing claim or dispute between the employer and employee. The latter information should be kept in a separate legal file away from the office. In addition, medical information pertaining to the employee should not be kept in the personnel file, but should form a separate file. The latter should contain information



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about disability documents; return to work information; information about work restrictions; injury and illness reports, including OSHA filings; and doctors' notes and other medically significant data.

There are good legal reasons to give some thought to the contents of personnel files. The *Illinois Personnel Record Review Act* requires that offices with five or more staff members, excluding the dentist and his or her family, grant an employee access to his or her files at least twice a year, and within seven days of the request being made. The employer can insist that the request for access be written and that the timing of the two annual requests be reasonably spaced and be non-disruptive to the business.

Upon review of his or her personnel file, the employee may file a written objection to information in the file, which has to be attached to the documents in question. However, the mere inclusion of the employee's objection does not imply that the employer agrees with its content.

An employer may also be asked to release the content of a personnel file to a third party, such as per the request of a future employer. Illinois law states that an employer or former employer shall not divulge a disciplinary report or any adverse action, etc. to an outside third party without either a waiver by the affected employee or, if no waiver has been obtained, by giving prior written notice of the anticipated disclosure to the employee at his or her last known address. In addition, the employer should review the file before releasing copies and purge all disciplinary information which is more than four years old. The purging requirement should not be heeded if the personnel file is ordered on the basis of a legal action.

The personnel file is the property of the employer and the employee may not remove his or her personnel file or parts thereof, nor may the employee access the files of other employees. In order to ensure compliance with these regulations, it is advisable that an employee not be left alone with the file and that the file cabi-

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nets remain locked, with the employer having sole access. However, an employee has the right to copy his or her personnel file; since he or she is not entitled to remove the file, any copying has to be done at the employer's place of business. As compensation, the employer is entitled to be reimbursed for the actual copying costs by the employee.

Efficient dental offices do, of course, try to minimize time-consuming administrative work, requiring the accumulation and maintenance of more 'paperwork', whether in hard copy or electronic format. Thus, it makes sense to streamline the filing process and to identify and categorize the standard information created and collected by the office on behalf of every employee and independent contractor. This not only saves time, but it also ensures that important documents are routinely created and retained for record. Office rules may also specify when employees can request their personnel files for review, so as to be least disruptive to the running of the business. In addition, complete and well maintained files on employees and independent contractors can provide substantial protection in case of legal challenges. ■

**Editor's note:** The above article does not constitute legal advice but is for educational purposes only. In order to obtain legal advice, a personal consultation with an attorney is required. The views expressed in this column are those of the writer and not necessarily the opinions of the Chicago Dental Society.

Dr. von Heimburg is a practicing dentist and a practicing attorney in the Chicago area. She represents, advises and educates dental professionals, exclusively, in all matters relating to the practice of dentistry.

Dear Colleagues,

For the time being, this will be my last column for the *CDS Review*. On Jan. 1, I will start a three-year term as a member of the Board of Directors of the Chicago Dental Society, the governing body of CDS, in addition to continuing my law practice. Conflict of interest rules will prevent me from writing my column for the *CDS Review* during my term of office – a circumstance I regret, even though I fully support the rule.

– Petra von Heimburg, DDS, JD

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

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The primary responsibility of our Presiding Chairs is to introduce the course speakers. Presiding Chairs greet our speakers in our registration office, escort them to breakfast and then to the rooms where they will lecture; then escort the speakers to lunch and back for their afternoon programs.

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## From the Ground Up by Barbara Mousel, DDS

A column about the CDS Foundation. For more information, visit [www.chicagodentalsocietyfoundation.org](http://www.chicagodentalsocietyfoundation.org).

# We can make a difference in our communities

**O**n behalf of the Chicago Dental Society Foundation, know that during this holiday season we are grateful for your continued support and determination. We are lucky to count you among our family.

January approaches, and with it come the prospects and energies of a new year. This perennial rhythm reminds us that despite challenges, we are part of a cycle of renewal. Our mission thrives; we continue our commitment to ensuring the improved oral health of the public we serve. We have much to look forward to in 2011.

As you know, 2010 was a year of economic challenges. But it was only with your support and belief in our mission that we ended the year with many successes. The CDS Foundation will continue to fund two fellowships at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry and one at the Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine. A \$40,000 grant was delivered to the Illinois Mission of Mercy earlier this year. And the CDS Foundation awarded more than \$50,000 in grants to local clinics and healthcare providers, so that they may continue to serve the neediest patients in our community.

Our 2010 grant recipients are:

- The Ark, \$2,500
- Community Health, \$5,000
- Children's Clinic of Oak Park, \$5,000
- Erie Family Health Center, \$5,000
- Illinois Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped (IFDH) van, \$5,000
- IFDH Donated Dental Services, \$5,000
- Infant Welfare Society, \$5,000
- Northwest Community Hospital mobile dental van, \$5,000
- Northwest Community Hospital fixed dental site, \$5,000
- Oral Health America, \$5,000
- St. Bernard Hospital, \$5,000

I am pleased to announce that George Zehak and Mildred Goldstein will assume the positions of chair and vice chair,



Enjoying the CDS Foundation wine tasting fundraiser at Aqua in October are (L-R) the late Michael Stablein, Ian Elliott, Barbara Mousel, Phillip Fijal, William Kleiber and David Lang.

There are tremendous opportunities to make a difference in people's lives. The individuals I've met and the knowledge I've gained through this experience are inspiring to me

respectively, on Jan. 1 for the CDS Foundation Board of Trustees. We also welcome one new trustee, David Lang, president of Lang Dental Manufacturers.

The whole Board of Trustees looks forward to working with all members and friends of the CDS Foundation in the coming year. On a personal note, I also want to thank you all for your kind support and the extraordinary opportunity to represent the CDS Foundation. It has been an honor and privilege to serve as the chair for the past three years.

There are tremendous opportunities to make a difference in people's lives. The individuals I've met and the knowledge I've gained through this experience are inspiring to me, and so I will continue to serve the CDS Foundation at the committee level.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy New Year. ■

### Please make a donation today.

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## Going Local

a look at what's happening in our community

### UIC develops technique to reattach teeth using stem cells

A new approach to anchor teeth back in the jaw using stem cells has been developed and successfully tested in the laboratory for the first time by researchers at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC). The new strategy represents a potentially major advance in the battle against gum disease.

About 80 percent of U.S. adults suffer from gum disease, according to the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research.

Researchers in UIC's Brodie Laboratory for Craniofacial Genetics at the College of Dentistry used stem cells obtained from the periodontal ligament of molars extracted from mice, expanded them in an incubator, and then seeded them on barren rat molars. The stem cell-treated molars were reinserted into the tooth sockets of rats.

After two and four months, the stem cells aligned and formed new fibrous attachments between the tooth and bone, firmly attaching the replanted tooth into the animal's mouth, said Smit Dangaria, a bioengineering doctoral candidate who conducted the research. Tissue sections showed that the replanted tooth was surrounded by newly formed, functional periodontal ligament fibers and new cementum, the essential ingredients of a healthy tooth attachment.

In contrast, tooth molars that were replanted without new stem/progenitor cells were either lost or loosely attached and were resorbed, Mr. Dangaria said.

The study, published in an online issue of *Tissue Engineering*, was funded through a grant from the National Institutes of Health.

Mr. Dangaria said the natural surface of the tooth played an essential role in the study.

"Our research uncovered the code required to reattach teeth – a combination of natural tooth root surface structure together with periodontal progenitor cells," he said.

To verify that the ligament was formed by the transplanted stem cells and not by the animal's own cells, stem cells were labeled with green fluorescent protein prior to seeding them on the molars and re-inserting the teeth into the animal's mouth, Dangaria said.

According to Tom Diekwisch, director of the Brodie Laboratory and senior author on the paper, this is the first progenitor cell-based regeneration of a complete periodontal ligament in which a functional tooth was attached.

"Our strategy could be used for replanting teeth that were lost due to trauma or as a novel approach for tooth replacement using tooth-shaped replicas," said Dr. Diekwisch, who is also professor and head of oral biology at the UIC College of Dentistry.

Assisting Mr. Dangaria and Dr. Diekwisch were Yoshihiro Ito and Xianghong Luan of the UIC College of Dentistry's Brodie Laboratory; Leilei Yin of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; and Giovanni Valdre of the University of Bologna, Italy.

For more information, visit [www.uic.edu](http://www.uic.edu).

### Gov. Quinn announces \$2.5 million capital grant for UIC

Gov. Pat Quinn announced a grant for \$2.5 million in capital funding to the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry to renew the college's heating and cooling, electrical and lighting, plumbing, and computer network cabling systems; windows; and other infrastructure systems. The project will receive a total of \$20.8 million through the Illinois Jobs Now! capital construction program and is expected to generate around 140 construction jobs once it is underway.

As part of the project, the College of Dentistry will receive an emergency generator, as well as new fire alarm and sprinkler systems. The project also includes installing new windows and asbestos abatement at the College of Medicine buildings.

"It is important that when students choose to attend the University of Illinois at Chicago, they are learning in an environment that matches the superior education the University offers," said Gov. Quinn.

### Dr. Maggio elected to DANB Board of Directors

Dr. Frank Maggio, of Elgin, was elected to the Board of Directors of The Dental Assisting National Board, Inc. (DANB). He was chosen from a slate of qualified nominees provided by the American



Frank Maggio

Dental Association (ADA). He is serving the first of a possible two three-year terms.

"I consider it an honor to serve as an ADA nominee to the DANB Board," Dr.

Maggio said. "I have always encouraged my

staff to earn DANB Certification and feel that it is an example to my peers serving on this board."

Dr. Maggio graduated from the Loyola University School of Dentistry, and after military service went on to receive his Certificate in Periodontics from the University of Illinois Medical Center College of Dentistry. Currently, Dr. Maggio is a dental assisting instructor at Elgin Community College, where he also served as chair from 1992-98. He is also a clinical assistant professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry, Department of Periodontology.

Dr. Maggio has long been an active participant in organized dentistry, including the American Academy of Periodontology, the ADA, the ADA Foundation, and the Illinois State Dental Society. He is a Fellow in the American College of Dentists, the International College of Dentists, the Pierre Fauchard Academy, and the Odontographic Society of Chicago.

He is a current board member of the Fox River Valley Dental Society and the National Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped (which changed its name to Dental Lifeline Network in December).

## Some superstitions might bring you good luck in the new year

As you prepare to welcome 2011 and renew your commitment to losing “just 10 pounds,” remember that sometimes it’s better to be lucky than good. Toward that end, here are a few common superstitions to bring you good luck in the new year ([www.snopes.com](http://www.snopes.com)):

- **Stocking up:** The new year must not be started with bare cupboards, lest that be the way of things for the year. Larders must be topped up and plenty of money must be placed in every wallet in the home to guarantee prosperity.

- **Paying off bills:** The new year should not be begun with the household in debt, so checks should be written and mailed off prior to Jan. 1.

- **Nothing goes out:** Nothing – not even garbage – is to leave the house the first day of the year. If you have presents to deliver on New Year’s Day, leave them in the car overnight. Don’t so much as shake out a rug or take the empties to the recycle bin.

- **Food:** A tradition common to the southern states dictates that the eating of black-eyed peas on New Year’s Day will attract both general good luck and financial good fortune in particular.

Other “lucky” foods are lentil soup (because lentils supposedly look like coins), pork (because poultry scratches backwards, a cow stands still, but a pig roots forward, ergo those who dine upon pork will be moving forward in the new year), and sauerkraut (probably because it goes so well with pork).

Another oft-repeated belief holds that one must not eat chicken or turkey on the first day of the year lest, like the birds in question, diners fate themselves to scratch in the dirt all year for their dinner (that is, bring poverty upon themselves).

- **Work:** Make sure to do – and be successful at – something related to your work on the first day of the

year, even if you don’t go near your office that day. Limit your activity to a token amount, though, because to engage in a serious work project on that day is very unlucky.

- **New clothes:** Wear something new on Jan. 1 to increase the likelihood of your receiving more new garments during the year to follow. Also, do not do the laundry on New Year’s Day, lest a member of the family be ‘washed away’ (die) in the upcoming months. The more cautious eschew even washing dishes.

- **Letting the old year out:** At midnight, all the doors of a house must be opened to let the old year escape unimpeded. He must leave before the New Year can come in, says popular wisdom, so doors are flung open to assist him in finding his way out.

- **Loud noise:** Make as much noise as possible at midnight. You’re not just celebrating; you’re scaring away evil spirits, so do a darned good job of it! ■



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## Your Health

a discussion on health-related topics

# The official snack food of Illinois

**M**ost everyone knows Illinois is the Land of Lincoln; far fewer can tell you our official state motto is “State Sovereignty, National Union.” Proud locals can point to the cardinal as the state bird, and the violet as the state flower.

But did you know our official snack food is popcorn? Yes, second and third graders from a Joliet elementary school, along with their teacher,

completed a class project attempting to make popcorn the official snack food of the State of Illinois. The General Assembly made that designation official in 2003.

Lucky for us, popcorn has sev-

eral health benefits and can easily be made a part of a healthy diet. Just ask the national Popcorn Board, a non-profit organization funded by U.S. popcorn processors to raise awareness of popcorn as a versatile, whole-grain snack.

It was formed in April 1998 as an Act of Congress at the request of the popcorn processing industry. ([www.popcorn.org](http://www.popcorn.org))



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### No Guilt

With suggestions from organizations such as the National Cancer Institute, the American Dental Association and the American Dietetic Association, there's no doubt popcorn is a sensible snack to fit into a healthy lifestyle.

- Air-popped popcorn has only 31 calories per cup; oil-popped popcorn has only 55 calories per cup.
- When lightly buttered, popcorn contains about 133 calories per cup.
- Popcorn is a whole grain and provides energy-producing complex carbohydrates.
- Popcorn contains fiber, providing roughage the body needs in the daily diet.
- Popcorn is naturally low in fat and calories.
- Three cups of popcorn equal one serving from the grain group.

### Pop-ular snack

Americans consume 52 quarts of popcorn per man, woman and child each year. Approximately 70 percent of that is purchased at retail stores in both raw and popped form, and eaten at home.

The remainder pops up almost any place associated with fun and food: movie theaters, sporting events, entertainment arenas, amusement parks, and other recreational centers.

### How does it work?

Of the four most common types of corn – sweet, dent (also known as field), flint (also known as Indian corn), and popcorn – only popcorn pops. Popcorn differs from other types of corn in that its hull has just the right thickness to allow it to burst open.

Each kernel of popcorn contains a small drop of water stored inside a circle of soft starch (popcorn needs between 13.5-14 percent moisture to pop) and the hard outer hull.



As the kernel heats up, the water begins to expand. Steam reacts with the starch inside each kernel as it heats to 347 degrees and bursts through the hull. The pressure inside the grain will reach 135 pounds per square inch before finally bursting open.

The soft starch inside the popcorn becomes inflated and spills out, cooling immediately and forming the odd shape we know.

### Fire up the stove

The Popcorn Board offers these tips for producing the perfect pop – regardless of whether you choose to pop popcorn in an electric popper, on the stove or over an open fire:

- **First, warm the popper, heavy pan or skillet.** If oil popping your corn, add 1/4 cup of cooking oil to the pan. Allow the oil to heat. The best popping temperature is between 400 and 460 degrees Fahrenheit. (Oil burns at 500 degrees.) If your oil starts to smoke, it's too hot. The less saturated the fat in the oil (like corn or sunflower), the fewer calories you add to your snack.
- **Don't pop popcorn in butter.** Butter will burn.
- **Test the heat of the oil by dropping in one or two kernels.** When they pop or spin in the oil, you're ready to add the remaining popcorn. Pour just enough kernels to cover the bottom of the pan. Shake the pan to coat each kernel with the oil.
- **If your popcorn does not pop into fluffy, crunchy kernels, it may have lost some of its moisture.** Rejuvenate popcorn by filling a 1-quart jar 3/4 full with popcorn. Add one tablespoon of water. Cover and shake every five to 10 minutes until all the water is absorbed. In two to four days it should be perfect for popping.

### Dig in

Find recipes at [www.popcorn.org](http://www.popcorn.org) (popcorn-crusting tilapia, anyone?). ■

# Open Wide

## A blog for dentists

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## Snap Shots

profiles of the profession

# Bernie Reusz is on top of his game

by Rachel Azark

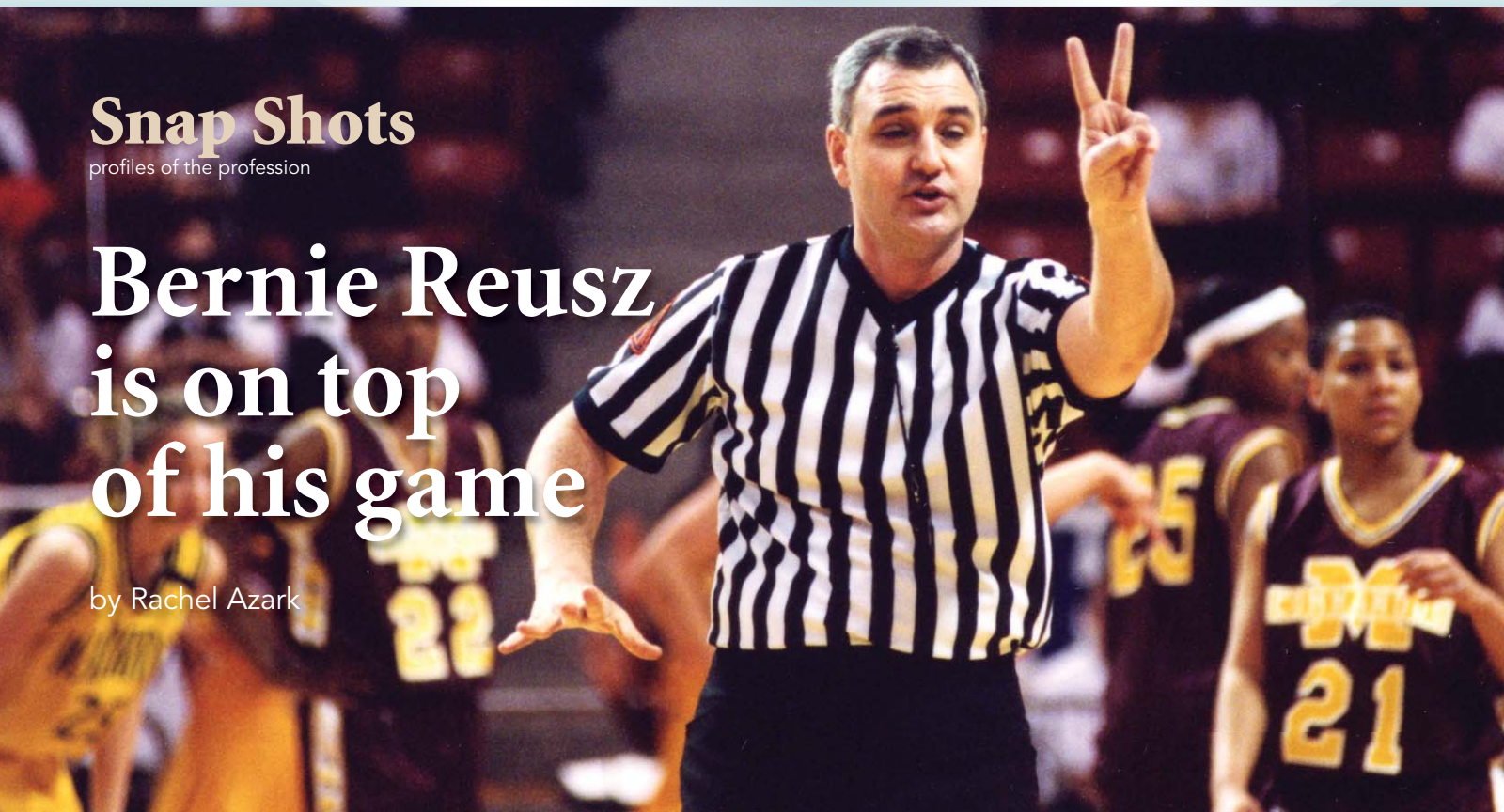


Photo by Jeff Soucek

**T**hirty-five years ago Bernie Reusz stood in his college dorm room thinking his roommate was nuts for asking if he wanted to referee a grammar school basketball game. But, perhaps it was the luck of having black pants and gym shoes and his friend's extra whistle and striped shirt that drew Dr. Reusz to the pastime of refereeing.

"I liked [refereeing] when I did it; I enjoyed it and I've been doing it ever since," said Dr. Reusz, a 1981 graduate of the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry.

It takes a real sports enthusiast to enjoy being a referee. Dr. Reusz played baseball in college, and so he refereed baseball and softball along with basketball when he first started. He soon had to drop baseball when the schedule of the games didn't mesh well with his schedule as a dentist. For the past 15 years, Dr. Reusz has been doing strictly girls and boys basketball games. He is licensed by the Illinois High School Association.

"In the 35 years I've been doing this, probably north of I-80 there isn't a high school gym I haven't been in," Dr. Reusz said.

To be a ref, he added, you have to have thick skin and know that 50 percent of the time people will disagree with you. And remember foremost that the game is there for the enjoyment of the kids.

"People will challenge you, but you have to be confident, be poised and have composure," said Dr. Reusz.

Working a basketball game doesn't come without its dangers, though, whether it is students tossing popcorn or Skittles at Dr. Reusz or having pop spilled on him. He's been lucky to have never been injured while refereeing a game.

However, in a rather intense girls basketball game a few years ago between Libertyville and Mundelein, Dr. Reusz ran in to call a foul following a shot. A player swung her arm up in a

celebratory manner and clocked Dr. Reusz right in the nose.

"I did a half step forward, then a half circle and then went straight down to the ground. I shook my head and realized I was looking at the basketball floor. I didn't realize it but she had knocked me out for about seven seconds," said Dr. Reusz.

Despite the risks, there are many high points to refereeing. In 2003, Dr. Reusz was chosen to be one of three referees for the high school girls basketball state finals.

"That's what everyone [who is a referee] aspires to do, to become a state final official, and I was able to get through it and I made it," said Dr. Reusz. He also earned the Girls Basketball Official of the Year for Illinois 2009 Award.

But now that he has accomplished that, Dr. Reusz's next goal is to referee the boys state final.

"The boys conference and the girls conference are two different entities. So I made it to the top of the girls conference, and I'm a little over a third up the ladder in terms of the boys sport," Dr. Reusz said.

There hasn't been just one moment that made Dr. Reusz realize why he enjoys refereeing so much. It's the atmosphere during a game and working with the kids that he enjoys the most.

"Your ideal basketball game is when you work up a good sweat, you're really running up and down the floor with them. You're having a great time, it's a good game, you can joke around with the kids. And when the game is over everyone is cheering their team on and nobody is yelling at the referees," said Dr. Reusz. ■

Ms. Azark is the CDS editorial assistant.

# Looking Back

a historical perspective

## Dental school founders left impressive legacies

by Walter F. Lamacki, DDS

**T**he Columbian Dental School was established in Chicago in 1892 as a proprietary enterprise. Its first location was at State and Quincy streets, across from the Great Northern Hotel. A score of proposed dental schools held charters from the State of Illinois in the late 1800s and early 1900s, but only a few would actually open. The school enrolled 86 students and graduated 26 dentists at its first convocation.

In 1898, the school reorganized as the Illinois School of Dentistry, and a year later was moved to Clark and Van Buren streets.

By 1900, the College of Physicians and Surgeons (a medical school) owned the bulk of the stock in the dental school and expected its income would subsidize the medical school. In 1901, the college negotiated an affiliation with the University of Illinois, apparently without financial support, and moved the medical college from Harrison and Honore streets to make room for the dental school. During renovation, the roof caught fire, destroying the top floor. The new glass and steel roof was reportedly a decided improvement and gave the clinic – with new state-of-the-art equipment – outstanding lighting.

The stockholders, not realizing a profit in nearly a decade of operation, sold the dental equipment to the Chicago College of Dental Surgery and closed the new school in 1909. The locks were hardly snapped shut when Drs. J. Walter Dittmar and Fredrick Moorehead swung into action. They and other prominent dental educators convinced the president of the University of Illinois, Edmund James, and Gov. Charles Dineen that the university needed to have a dental school



(Clockwise) Drs. Bernard Cigrand, J. Walter Dittmar and Fredrick Moorehead.

*Photos of Drs. Cigrand and Dittmar courtesy of the Archives of the American Dental Association. Photo of Dr. Moorehead courtesy of University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry.*

– and more importantly, to fund it.

The school reopened as the U of I College of Dentistry Oct. 1, 1913, with Dr. Moorehead as dean. The distinguished faculty was comprised of Drs. Dittmar, Fredrick Noyes, Edgar Colledge and Don Gallie, an ADA president from 1914-15.

Throughout the distinguished history of the College of Dentistry, many of the Illini “chiefs” made contributions to the profession and to the nation. Two notables were Drs. Dittmar and Bernard Cigrand.

Dr. Dittmar was the first superintendent of the infirmary and would educate future dentists for the next 40 years at the school. Dr. Dittmar was also active in organized dentistry, serving as president of the Chicago Dental Society (1911-12) and Illinois State Dental Society (1920). He was elected 8th District (Illinois) trustee of the American Dental

Association in 1926, and won a hotly contested election for ADA president in 1932. As president, he promoted a membership plan that for the first time would reduce dues for new dentists. In 1999, Dr. Dittmar’s grandson, Peter Roberson, was elected ISDS president.

Dr. Cigrand, the father of Flag Day, became acting dean in 1903. Dr. Cigrand made his first his public appeal for Flag Birth Day in 1886 through the pages of the *Chicago Argus*. He was the organizer of the American Flag Day Association; the group drew 100,000 people to a rally in a Chicago park. His dogged efforts led to President Woodrow Wilson proclaiming June 14 as Flag Day in 1916.

Dr. Cigrand was not a one note Johnny. He was president of the American College of Dentistry, president of the Chicago Public Library and served with distinction as a naval lieutenant in World War I. ■

# Dental Dateline

Dental Dateline is provided by your Chicago Dental Society member dentists.

## Dentists dish on their Top 10 'fantasy' patients

Who would dentists dream to see in their chairs?

The world's best known personalities have dental needs, too. But what could modern dental treatment do for some of history's famous figures? Which fictional characters could use some real time with a dentist?

The Chicago Dental Society surveyed more than 250 members to find out whose mouth – real, fake, alive or dead – they'd most wish to examine.

Imagine this eclectic list of patients together in a waiting room:

**10. Dracula.** Twilight fever has left our dentists wondering about those pointy teeth. Are they hollow like drinking straws? Can drinking blood cause cavities?

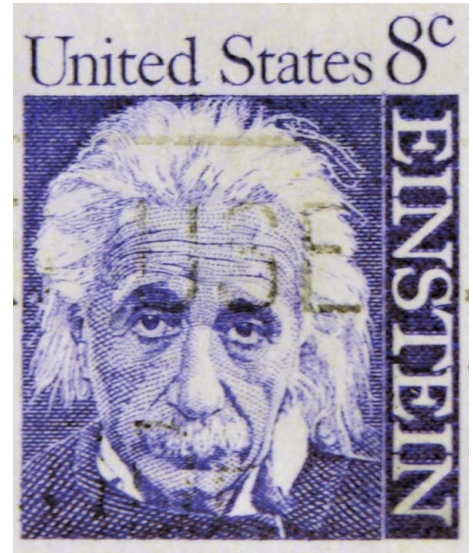
**9. Elvis Presley.** A visit with the King might finally put to rest those rumors about his death, but dentists are also curious about what cosmetic dental work was like in the 1960s.

**8. Mona Lisa.** Was a poor smile the reason the subject of the famous painting stayed tightlipped?

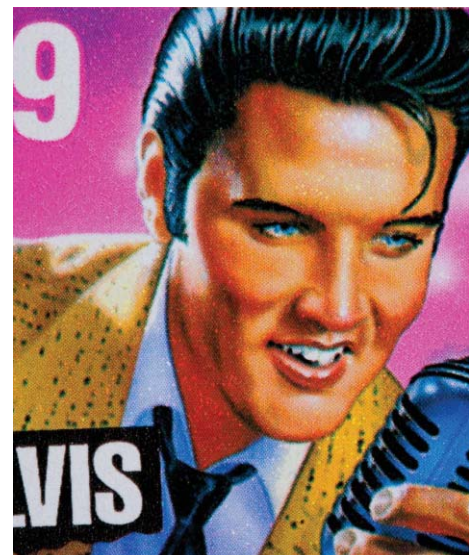
**7. President Barack Obama.** Bragging rights aside, dentists are generally concerned with our President's oral health, from the effects of his smoking to jaw clenching.

**6. Julia Child.** How was the oral health of one of America's greatest cooking legends? Our dentists would like to know, and maybe also swap recipes.

**5. Tiger Woods.** Some dentists admit they want the scoop on his "transgressions" first hand. Others are



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just seeking a great golf partner. One wants to fix Tiger's "pesky" discolored tooth.

**4. Albert Einstein.** Access to one of the greatest minds ever would certainly make for great conversation.

**3. Jesus.** Self-explanatory!

**2. G.V. Black,** known as the "Founding Father of Modern Dentistry." Quite unanimously, dentists agreed treating him would be an honor.

And the number one patient dentists would like to see in their practice:

**1. George Washington.** Two words: wooden teeth. ■

# CDS Regional Meeting



## Shampoos, Tattoos, Barbeques



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#### About our program:

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This course will update dental team members about infectious agents and their relationship to acute and chronic disease. Participants will learn:

- Why picnics can be hazardous to your health
- How many diseases can be transmitted via tattooing
- How long a tick must be attached to your skin before you can acquire Lyme disease and
- How infectious agents may be implicated in cardiovascular and autoimmune diseases.

#### About our speaker:

Ms. Bancroft is a widely acclaimed national speaker who has provided more than 2,000 seminars on clinical and health maintenance topics to healthcare professionals and corporations. She is author of the books *Medical Minutiae*, *An Apple a Day – the ABCs of Diet and Disease*, and *Live a Little, Laugh a Lot*. Ms. Bancroft is currently the executive director and president of CPP Associates, Inc., a continuing education firm for corporations and healthcare professionals based in Chicago.

**Target audience:** Dentists and staff

**Directions to Drury Lane:** Call 630.530.8300

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## Upcoming meetings

### DECEMBER

#### 7: Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Shaun Kostic from Sirona and CEREC: CAD/CAM For Everyone: Exploring CEREC Technology. Maggiano's Little Italy, 516 N. Clark St., Chicago. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 7:30 p.m. For information, contact Jack Liu, 312.351.5741 or [jjrlu@aol.com](mailto:jjrlu@aol.com).

#### 7: North Suburban Branch

Michael S. Higgins, DDS: Oral Sedation. Green Acres Country Club, 916 Dundee Rd., Northbrook. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. For information, contact Michael Gaynor, 847.446.6200 or [mkgaynor@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mkgaynor@sbcglobal.net).

#### 14: West Side Branch

Russ Baer, DDS: Implant Update. The Carleton of Oak Park, 1110 Pleasant St., Oak Park. Cocktails: 6:15 p.m.; Dinner and Program: 7 p.m. For information, contact John Perna, 708.386.0960 or [jperna@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jperna@sbcglobal.net).

#### 19: Englewood Branch

Christmas Brunch, 11 a.m., Edgewood Valley Country Club, 7500 S. Willow Springs Rd., LaGrange. For information, contact Alex Haralampopoulos, 708.799.2550 or [aleco2994@yahoo.com](mailto:aleco2994@yahoo.com).

### JANUARY

#### 19: Englewood Branch

Mark Steinberg, DDS, MD: Diagnosis and Management of Trigeminal Nerve Injuries. Francesca's Vicinato, 12960 S. LaGrange Rd., Palos Park. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner and Program: 7 p.m. For information, contact Alex Haralampopoulos, 708.799.2550 or [aleco2994@yahoo.com](mailto:aleco2994@yahoo.com).

#### 11: North Side Branch

Jun Lim, DDS: Periodontics. Reza's Restaurant, 432 W. Ontario St., Chicago. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. For information, contact Jeffrey Kramer, 773.588.2100 or [kramerkuhdental@aol.com](mailto:kramerkuhdental@aol.com).

#### 11: North Suburban Branch

Michael Engelman, DDS: Which is Best: RCT, EXT, FPD or OI? Green Acres Country Club,

916 Dundee Rd., Northbrook. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. For information, contact Michael Gaynor, 847.446.6200 or [mkgaynor@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mkgaynor@sbcglobal.net).

#### 11: Northwest Suburban Branch

J. Travis Thompson, DDS: Oral and Maxillofacial Trauma in the Army. The Wellington, 2121 S. Arlington Heights Rd., Arlington Heights. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 7:45 p.m. For information, contact Renee Pappas, 847.253.8501 or [mbs1andassoc@aol.com](mailto:mbs1andassoc@aol.com); or Tina Smith-Arpino, 847.370.4341 or [tarpino@comcast.net](mailto:tarpino@comcast.net).

#### 11: South Suburban Branch

Michael Gaynor, DDS: Updates in Pharmacology. Balagio Restaurant, 17501 Dixie Hwy., Homewood. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. For information, contact Generand Algenio, 708.799.5437 or [generand@aol.com](mailto:generand@aol.com).

#### 11: West Side Branch

Mark Pesavento, CPA: Five Best and Worst Financial Moves. The Carleton of Oak Park, 1110 Pleasant St., Oak Park. Cocktails: 6:15 p.m.; Dinner and Program: 7 p.m. For information, contact John Perna, 708.386.0960 or [jperna@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jperna@sbcglobal.net).

#### 11: West Suburban Branch

Mark Storer, DDS: Drug and Alcohol Addiction in Dentistry. Maggiano's Little Italy, 240 Oakbrook Center, Oak Brook. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. For information, contact Alyssa Brown, 630.323.5200 or [alyssabrown8@yahoo.com](mailto:alyssabrown8@yahoo.com).

#### 25: Dental Arts Club

Anthony Lavacca, DDS: Complex Treatment Planning. Bohemian Crystal, 639 N. Blackhawk Dr., Westmont. Meeting: 6:30 p.m. For information, contact Dan Weber, 630.450.3616 or [danwebdds@gmail.com](mailto:danwebdds@gmail.com).

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**Waukegan Dental Study Group**

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# Applicants & Deceased Members

## Applicants

**Al-Bitar, Lina**

Marquette University, 2009  
5917 S. Pulaski Rd., Chicago  
Englewood Branch

**Avendano, Homaira**

University of Illinois, 2009  
1228 N. Cedar Lake Rd., Round Lake  
Beach  
North Suburban Branch

**Damas, Beth**

University of Illinois, 2005  
15300 West Ave., Orland Park  
South Suburban Branch

**Danaher, Jill**

University of Connecticut, 1997  
1626 Sheridan Rd., Wilmette  
North Suburban Branch

**DiVerde, Richard**

Loyola University, 1984  
30 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago  
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

**Duero, Erica**

Southern Illinois University, 2010  
725 Victoria Ln., Schaumburg  
Northwest Suburban Branch

**Elmosa, Sammy**

University of Illinois, 1998  
5600 W. 87th St., Burbank  
South Suburban Branch

**Gabrius, Lisa**

Marquette University, 2001  
554 Green Bay Rd., Kenilworth  
North Suburban Branch

**Gantz, Olga**

University of Illinois, 2009  
534 Main St., West Chicago  
West Suburban Branch

**Goldman, Richard**

Northwestern University, 1968  
205 W. Randolph St., Chicago  
North Side Branch

**Kellner Crystal**

Marquette University, 2009  
333 N. Wood Dale Rd., Wood Dale  
West Suburban Branch

**Lee, Aldina**

University of the Pacific, 2010  
523 E. Suffield Dr., Arlington Heights  
Northwest Suburban Branch

**Levy, Elliott**

University of the Pacific, 2010  
444 Lee St., Des Plaines  
Northwest Suburban Branch

**Maclin, David**

University of Illinois, 1984  
701 W. 111th St., Chicago  
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

**Nidea, Robert**

Northwestern University, 1990  
290 Springfield Dr., Bloomingdale  
West Suburban Branch

**Nierzwicki, Joseph**

Creighton University, 2010  
10020 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park  
Northwest Side Branch

**Prasanna, Malavika**

New York University, 2010  
2537 W. North Ave., Melrose Park  
West Side Branch

**Rustad, Jessica**

University of Minnesota, 2009  
2859 S. Pulaski Rd., Chicago  
West Side Branch

**Schneider, Christopher**

Southern Illinois University, 1985  
63 S. Sutton Rd., Streamwood  
Northwest Suburban Branch

**Sharma, Dipa**

University of Michigan, 2009  
712 E. 87th St., Chicago  
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

**Tzanos, Alexander**

University of Illinois, 2007  
1960 Lincoln Park West, Chicago  
North Side Branch

**Varughese, Daisy**

University of Illinois, 2009  
4450 S. Archer Ave., Chicago  
Englewood Branch

## Deceased members

**Herzberg, Robert**

Northwestern University, 1956  
3101 Captains Way, Jupiter, FL  
North Suburban Branch  
Passed away Jan. 15.

**Hochstatter, Jerome**

Loyola University, 1960  
P.O. Box 20, Amboy, IL  
Associate Member Branch  
Passed away Sept. 2.

**Rosenfeld, Leon**

Northwestern University, 1945  
6157 Old Court Rd., Boca Raton, FL  
North Side Branch  
Passed away Aug. 19.

**Straka, Thomas**

Southern Illinois University, 1987  
3 S. Greenleaf Ave., Ste. L, Gurnee, IL  
North Suburban Branch  
Passed away Sept. 13.

**Williams, Robert**

Northwestern University, 1950  
2816 Golfside Dr., Naples, FL  
North Side Branch  
Passed away June 8.



# Branch News

news from the home front

## Englewood

Kathryn Bielik, DDS

The Englewood Branch began fall with its annual Staff Appreciation and Clinic Night at Ridge Country Club Oct. 12. Attending were 133 staff, 49 doctors and 26 vendors. All our amazing staff left with an appreciation gift and a taffy apple.

**Dave Durkin** hit a hole-in-one on the 10th at Ruffled Feathers, to the dismay of his opponents **Ed Kasper**, **Bob Michet** and **Mike Krepps**. For details on the cost, contact Ed.

The Michet family had a busy summer. **Larry Michet Jr.** tied the knot August 21. Larry and his bride, Beth, enjoyed a reception at the Hickory Hills Country Club. **Marilyn Michet-Apolon** cruised the coast of New England, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. **Bob Michet** spent time in New Orleans, drinking in all the city has to offer.

**Bob Thomas's** eldest daughter, Hilary, published a children's book *Night Shade City* about rats, worms and the city they inhabit. Bob's son Reily graduated from the Northern Illinois University College of Law. He does not want to practice law and plans to go into business.

The annual Englewood Branch Christmas Brunch will be held at 11 a.m. Dec. 19 at Edgewood Valley Country Club.

Share your news and photos. Contact Kathy Bielik at 708.636.2900 or [kbielik@bracesforsmiles.com](mailto:kbielik@bracesforsmiles.com). Enjoy the holidays!

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## President Profile

### Jack Burke, DDS, MS | ENGLEWOOD

Dr. Burke earned his dental degree in 1997 from the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry.

**Home:** Dr. Burke lives in Chicago with his wife, Tracy, and children Shannon (10), Jack (7), Sean (5) and Meghan (3).



The Burkes: (L-R) Sean, Shannon, Tracy, Meghan, Jack Jr. and Jack Sr.

He practices in Frankfort.

**Outside of dentistry, my interests include:** volunteering/coaching my kids' activities. I am a loyal Chicago sports fan – especially the White Sox and Bears.

I also enjoy playing basketball, water sports and snow skiing.

**My goal for the coming year is:** I would like to see our branch continue to recruit new, quality members. My involvement with the Englewood Branch over the years has been very rewarding. In addition to gaining many great friendships, I have learned how important organized dentistry is to the success of each of our practices. In order to keep our profession strong, we will always need more people willing to contribute their time and talents.

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**KENWOOD/HYDE PARK:** Branch members gathered at Bogart's Charhouse in September to support David Miller in his run for Illinois Comptroller. Pictured (L-R) are Henry Moore, Karen Nash, Kimberley Bolden, Jondell Jenkins, Sherece Thompson, David Miller, Melanie Watson-Montgomery and Russell Austin.

### Kenwood/Hyde Park

Sherece Thompson, DDS

#### Brunch at Bogart's

Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch members gathered for a brunch at Bogart's Charhouse in Homewood Sept. 19 to kick off the branch meeting season and to support **David Miller** in his candidacy for Illinois comptroller.

Branch president **Kim Bolden** thanked everyone for coming out and encouraged all branch members to vote. David was an engaging speaker and thanked everyone for their support while he served as state representative. He also thanked the event hosts, Darren and **Sherece Thompson**.

#### New office to treat Medicaid, underserved patients

**Jason Grinter**, a new branch member, opened the doors at Destiny Dental Oct. 18. The practice focuses on increasing access to care for the state's growing All Kids population.

After about a year of planning and researching, Dr. Grinter decided to open in the Chatham neighborhood, at 712 E. 87th St., in the same plaza as a Target and a Walgreens. Dr. Grinter hopes the convenient location, as well as a local outreach efforts, will bring a local dental home for many of the pediatric patients in the area.

The office will be open six days a week, including evening and weekend hours, and accepts referrals from Chicago dentists who receive calls from people looking for care for pediatric patients insured with All Kids and Medicaid.

Dr. Grinter will also be extending his efforts and will soon be on staff at St. Bernard's Hospital to help treat pediatric patients who require oral rehabilitation under general anesthesia – a very serious need in Chicago's urban neighborhoods.

#### Did you know?

Here is some information you can share with your patients about their pets

- Dogs have 42 teeth.
- Cat have 30 teeth.
- You should brush your pet's teeth every day.
- Periodontal disease is very common in dogs.
- An oral health exam should be done when your pet is taken to the veterinarian.

For more information on veterinary dentistry, contact Dr. Cindy Charlier at Fox Valley Veterinary Dentistry and Surgery.

### North Side

Lynse Briney, DDS

The North Side Branch held its kick-off meeting Sept. 21 at Via Veneto. Practice consultant Bruce Lowy provided an interesting lecture called "Thriving in Challenging Times."

Congratulations to **Lindsey Krecko** on her engagement to Michael Yates, marketing manager for Howl at the Moon, USA, based in Chicago. The couple plans to marry in Chicago this spring.

**Marvin Greene** and **David Hanson** of The Lincoln Park Institute are excited to have formed a partnership with **Megan Ratliff**, a board-certified periodontist.

**William Simon** is proud to announce the addition of a new associate, Aekta Ffidara, to his City Smiles and Sonrisa Urbana practices. Aekta, a native of upstate New York and a Tufts Dental School graduate, just completed a one-year GPR at Queens hospital in New York City.

Bill was a presenting speaker at the American Association of Dental Office Managers 6th Annual Dental Manager's Conference, Oct. 22-23, at the Las Vegas Hilton.

**Ron Jacobson** was inducted as president of the Illinois Society of Orthodontists for 2010-11.

**Fred Margolis** recently presented a live webcast to the University of Texas, Houston, on "Pediatric Laser Dentistry."

**Barbara Brisk-Zizic**, a 1980 graduate of Loyola, is celebrating 30 years of dental practice in the Chicago Loop. Her husband, **William Zizic**, is also celebrating his 45th anniversary from Loyola. Together, they are looking forward to their daughter, Josephine Zizic, graduating from Kennedy-King College's dental hygiene program in June 2012.

Congratulations to Andrea and **Josh Ries** on the birth of their son, Jacob Mason Ries, born Sept. 6 at 6:13 p.m.

Our condolences to **Jamie Robinson**

and his family on the passing of his father, **Irwin Robinson**.

**David Marcus** participated in his 27th year of assisting Viola Frymann in presenting the basic course in "The Expanding Concept of Cranial in the Osteopathic Field." MDs, DOs and DDSs come from all over the world for this five-day course.

**Janet Kuhn** and **Jeff Kramer** were presented with the Friends of the ISDS Alliance Award at the 2010 ISDS Annual Session. Congratulations!

### North Suburban

Nikisha Jodhan, DDS  
Ingrid Schroetter, DDS

**Atosa Sarrafi** and Daniel Au would like to introduce their new office, Old Orchard Dental Group, which has been open for five months. They are grateful for the warm welcome they received from the Skokie community and the Skokie Chamber of Commerce. Their grand opening was a happy event with the mayor of Skokie, George Van Dusen, presiding over the ribbon cutting ceremony. Please stop by and say hello.

**Mark Steinberg** delivered lectures on Anesthesia Complications at the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS) national meeting, and will also be speaking on nerve injuries relating to implant placement at the AAOMS Implant Conference in December.

**Egon Schein** won the Lake County Camera Club Picture of the Year Award, small monochrome category, for his self portrait, entitled, "... But I am Smiling!" Congratulations, Egon, on a job well done.

**Richard Cottrell** and **Sharon Foertsch** attended the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry (AAED) 35th Annual Meeting in Maui over the summer. They report it was a superb meeting with the best of the best speakers in esthetic dentistry, including our own **Sergio Rubinstein**.

Sergio had the opportunity to lecture on Restorative Solutions to Periodontal



#### NORTH SIDE:

(Top) Andrea and Josh Ries welcomed their son, Jacob, born Sept. 6



(Bottom) Johanna Manasse, vice president and Membership chair of the Alliance of the Illinois State Dental Society, presented Janet Kuhn and Jeff Kramer with the Friends of the Alliance Award at the ISDS Annual Session.

Problems. The lecture was extremely well received and he managed to also enjoy the week in Maui with the entire family!

**Paul Kattner** (ISDS speaker of the House) joined ISDS Treasurer **Barry Howell** and ISDS President **Larry Osborne** and other friends on a golf junket to Ireland in September. It was a world class golfing experience with great friends.

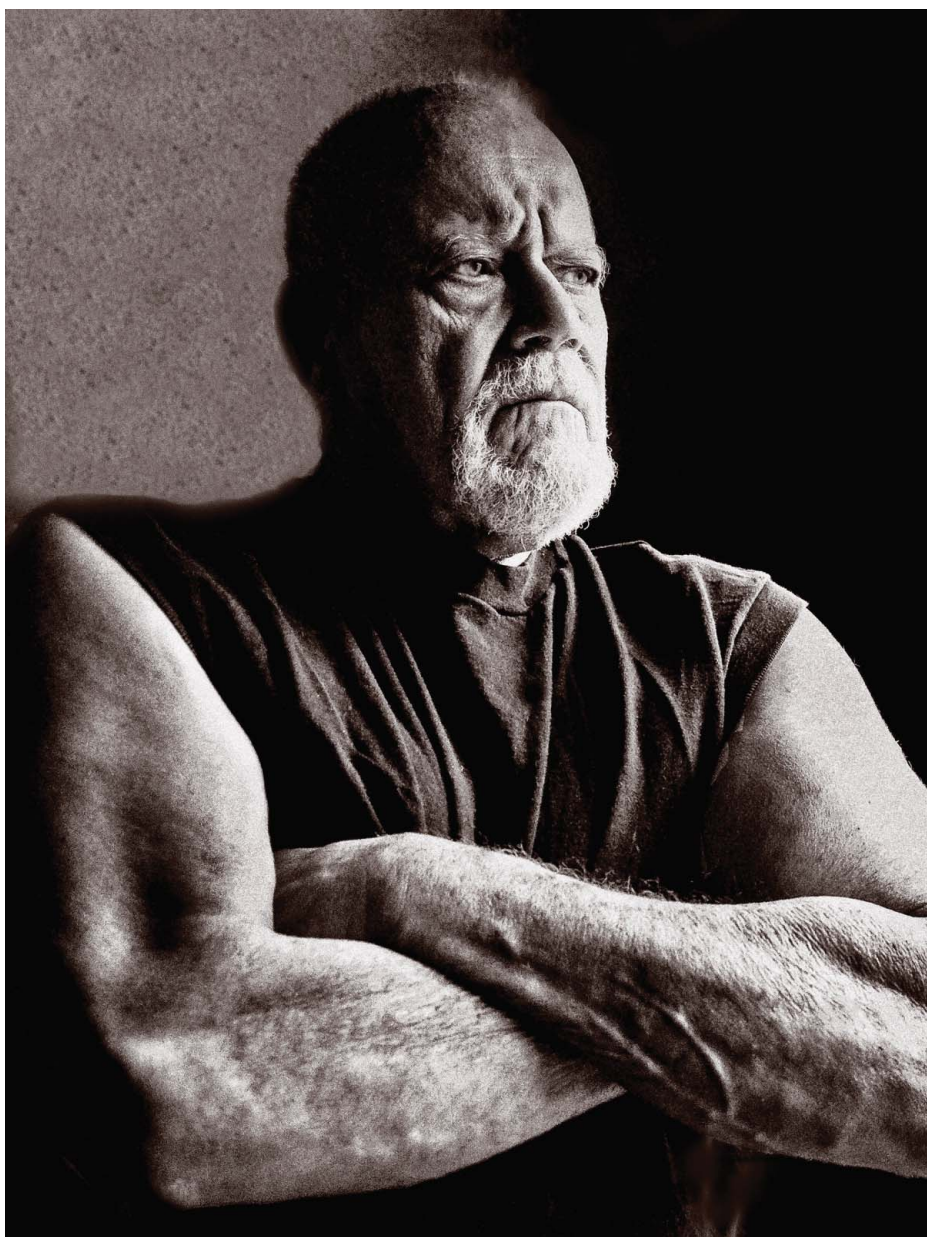
**James Brian Stephens** celebrates his 25th year in dentistry. His brother, **Robert Stephens**, celebrates 20 years in dentistry. Their office celebrated its 50th anniversary this past October. The Stephens are also proud to have recently introduced oral sedation to their menu of services.

**Cynthia Tan** is happy to cheer on her daughter, Corinne, after making the Dean's List at Northwestern University's

Medill School of Journalism as a freshman. Corinne has also volunteered to be a peer advisor as a sophomore. Keep up the good work!

The Midwest Dental Sleep Center has opened a new office for the fabrication of dental appliances for the treatment of obstructive sleep apnea and primary snoring. **Charles Lockhart** will be the primary clinician for the center, which will be located at 150 E. Huron St., Suite 1103, Chicago, between the sleep physicians from the University of Chicago and the sleep physicians from Northwestern University. Patients are required to undergo a sleep study to confirm an accurate diagnosis prior to treatment.

**Julia Weertman** is proud to announce that she has just vested – as in donated a bullet- and stab-resistant vest thru Illinois Vest-A-Dog – her ninth police dog.



His name is K9 Chance and he works for the Buffalo Grove Police Department. Additionally, Julia and her border collie, Nellie, a therapy dog, started visiting the USO at O'Hare Airport. They are members of Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy. Rainbow's Crisis Response Team had to get U.S. Department of Defense clearance to visit with the troops, and they are supposedly the only therapy dog group in the country currently visiting a USO facility. Nellie, her sister Kate, and Julia also volunteer at Children's Memorial and Evanston hospitals. That's amazing, Julia.

**Dave Simone** was recently filmed for two documentaries about total body toxicity: *Mercury in Retrograde* by director Kelly Gallagher (2006 Sundance award winner), and a healthcare film by director Daryll Roberts (2007 award winner for *America The Beautiful*). Both will be available in late winter/spring. Dave also recently attended the Municipal Water Supply Conference and the National Mercury Symposium. We shall be on the look-out for any Academy Award nominations.

**Peter Domagala** and his staff of the Institute of Dental Implant and Periodontics give a special welcome to his new associate, **Nikisha Jodhan**.

Nikisha, who is a diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology, is thrilled to be part of this cutting edge office, which truly values high-quality patient care.

Peter also extends a special thanks to those who attended the grand opening event for his new location. More than 150 people attended – a great turnout.



**NORTH SUBURBAN:** (Top, left) Egon Schein won the Lake County Camera Club's Picture of the Year Award, small monochrome category, for his self portrait, entitled, "... But I am Smiling!"

(Bottom, left) Joseph Canzona's guest, Kevin Bunin, was the lucky winner of the "Pot of Gold" centerpiece at the September branch meeting

(Bottom, right) Barry Howell, Larry Osborne and Paul Kattner enjoyed their golf junket to Ireland in September.

## Northwest Side

John Nowak Jr., DDS

In October, our branch kicked-off another exciting season. It was great to see everyone after the short summer break. Here is some news from some of our members:

**Jeff Wittmus**, our branch president, attended the 25th anniversary of the Cerec Convention in Las Vegas in August. In September, Jeff mentored students at the Spear education facility in Scottsdale, AZ, about facially generated treatment planning with Frank Spear.

Also, Jeff's son will be celebrating his first birthday this October. Happy Birthday, Jacob! For the Christmas holiday season, Jeff plans to take his family to Florida for some rest and relaxation.

**John Kaminski** earned recognition this past spring from Dentsply Caulk for submitting his winning entry in its national contest, "Quest for the Best" dental impression. Specifically, John won three times: twice in the implant



**NORTHWEST SIDE:** On a recent trip to Arizona, Dan Janowski (left) volunteered with dental students to provide oral health screenings for Special Olympics Special Smiles.

category and once in the crown category. The prize included recognition in major dental publications, a monetary award, and a trip to the ADA Annual Session in Orlando in October.

In Orlando, John ran into other branch members, including **Mary Star-siak** and **Lou Imburgia**. So if anyone has questions about dental impressions, we have our own Northwest Side Branch expert. Congratulations, John, for a job well done.

**Patrick Hann** was the recipient of a gold medal in the 500 meter sprint and 2K pursuit at the Illinois State Track Championships in September. Patrick, along with his wife, Sharon, vacationed in Longboat Key, FL, over Memorial Day.

**Roger Pogorzelski** took some time off from racing his Miata with the Sports Car Club of America to attend Oktoberfest in Munich, Germany. Roger said everyone there had a good time.

## President Profile

### **Astrid Schroetter, DDS** | NORTH SUBURBAN

Dr. Schroetter earned her dental degree from Northwestern University Dental School in 1981.

**Home:** Dr. Schroetter lives with her husband, John Jameson, and daughter, Brett Jameson. She practices in the Loop.

**Outside of dentistry, my interests include:** foreign and domestic travel, photography, playing piano, snow skiing, swimming and tennis.

**My goal for the coming year is:** tri-fold. First, I have planned for our membership to enjoy an academic series of lectures by respected clinicians in our profession. Second, I would like our members to socialize and share common fellowship at our meetings. Third, it is my hope that being a part of organized dentistry by participating in our branch activities will enhance our ability to be the best advocates to serve our community of dental patients.



**Astrid Schroetter (center)** with her husband, **John Jameson**, and daughter, **Brett Jameson**.



**NORTHWEST SIDE:** Larry Kolar's children have been keeping busy this year. His son, Brad (left), is in the marching band at Maine South High School. Brad is pictured in his uniform immediately after the band's performance at the first home football game. Larry's daughter, Stephanie (right), is pictured preparing to jump a wave on her wake board on Gull Lake in Minnesota in July.

**Tim Tishler** and his wife Sue spent their 25th wedding anniversary in Lake Tahoe. He also spent a week with **Tom Schneider** and his family in Door County. Tim's son, Peter, is a freshman at Marquette University and is rooming with Tom's son, Peter. They are both majoring in mechanical engineering.

**Dan Janowski**, along with his wife, Candice, and son, Cameron, went to Arizona for some rest and relaxation. While Dan was in Arizona he volunteered two days for the Arizona Special Olympics (Special Smiles athlete oral screening). Activities included working with the special needs athletes to identify caries and offer oral hygiene instructions.

Dan had a team of third- and fourth-year dental students from the Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health assisting him. Cameron helped out and "got his fingers wet." The event was sponsored by the Arizona Dental Foundation.

## Northwest Suburban

Angie Willox, DDS

We kicked off the fall season with a fascinating and eye opening look into the world of "Oral and Maxillofacial Trauma in the Army." The presentation was given by oral surgeon Travis Thompson. It was great to catch up with each other, and in addition, we welcomed several new members to the branch.

**Brandon Hull** has recently joined the periodontal specialty office of **Daniel Greising, Marc Pescheret** and **Sheffield Hyde**.

**Jeff Kemp**, announced that orthodontist Amanda Romsa recently joined his practice in Arlington Heights.

**Bryan Nakfoor**, orthodontist and graduate of the University of Michigan, purchased the orthodontic practice of **Thomas Horrigan** in Arlington Heights.

Bryan is excited about being in the community and looks forward to meeting everyone over the coming months.

Tom will continue to practice for the next few months, but is looking forward to spending the winter in Florida with his wife. Best of luck to Bryan on his new practice, and congratulations, Tom, on your retirement!

We also welcome two new endodontists to the branch. **William Nudera** and **Hong Chon** practice in Bloomingdale. They are also excited about joining our branch and look forward to meeting everyone.

**Cvetan Mechev** has purchased the practice of **Robert Staib** and is now practicing general and cosmetic dentistry in Arlington Heights.

Congratulations to **Ahmed El-Maghraby** who announced his recent engagement to Elizabeth Brusa. The couple were engaged over the summer while in Egypt and plan to return for their wedding June 17. Best wishes to the both of you!

**Mike Durbin** and his wife, **Renee Pappas**, along with **Ted Borris** and his wife, Carolyn, had a very enjoyable evening at the ISDS Annual Session dinner.

**Mike Schroeder** watched with pride as his daughter, Sara, ran the Chicago Marathon Oct. 10. Sara, a student at Indiana University and member of Zeta Tau Alpha, ran the marathon to support Susan G. Komen for the Cure, and raised money which will provide life-saving treatment for women and men who otherwise would not be able to afford it. What a worthy cause; way to go, Sara!

Please submit your branch news by phone at 847.670.9020 or e-mail, [angiewilcox@hotmail.com](mailto:angiewilcox@hotmail.com) or [smilesforkids@comcast.net](mailto:smilesforkids@comcast.net).



NORTHWEST SUBURBAN: (Top) Mike Durbin, Renee Pappas and Carolyn and Ted Borris enjoyed the ISDS Annual Session dinner.

(Left) Ahmed El-Maghraby announced his engagement to Elizabeth Brusa.

(Right) Mike Schroeder watched with pride as his daughter, Sara, ran the Chicago Marathon.

### West Side

Charles Thometz, DDS

As I write this column, fall is upon us. I always feel ambivalent about this time of year – enjoying the beautiful array of colors as the leaves change, followed shortly by having some feeling of sadness as the leaves drop and the terrain takes on a more barren look.

Our first branch meeting was an informative update on the current status of Midwestern University's College of Dental Medicine-Illinois. Maj. "Lex" Macneil, dean; Frank Licari, associate dean, Academic Affairs; and Darryn Weinstein, assistant dean, Clerical Education; spoke and answered questions from the audience at the conclusion of their presentation.

There is obviously great interest from the dental community regarding this new school (which is still under construction), as the number in attendance at our meeting was the highest in many years.

Ed Walsh attended his 50-year reunion with classmates from Champion Jesuit High School September 10-12. He met up with Loyola University Dental School classmate Tom Nale (1967), and the North Suburban Branch's Vince Chiara (from the Loyola University of New Orleans class of 1967). Another Loyola classmate, John Schulien (1969), passed away in January and was greatly missed.

Joan and Ed Walsh celebrated Ed's July 1 retirement from dental practice, spending some six weeks throughout the summer vacationing at their home on Lake Paya in Nicolet Forest, WI.

### South Suburban

Eric Kosel, DDS

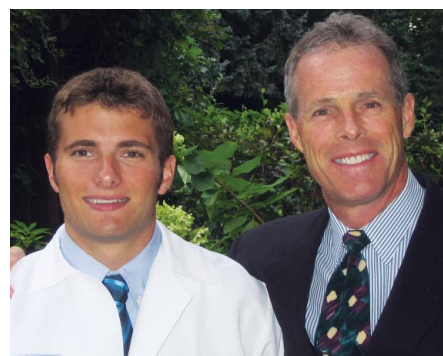
Phil Scheffe was inducted into the International College of Dentists Oct. 8 at a ceremony held during the ADA Annual Session in Orlando.

Congratulation to two of our branch members on the entrance of their sons to dental school. Barry Booth's son, Ryan, enrolled at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry, and Ken

Coffey's son, Chris, enrolled in the Indiana University School of Dentistry.

Mark your calendars for our annual fishing trip. Deadliest Catch #3: "The Trilogy" will be Friday, June 10. For more information, contact Loren Feldner at [ljfeldnerdds@pol.net](mailto:ljfeldnerdds@pol.net).

Finally, our annual ski trip will be to Lake Tahoe March 11-15. Contact Kevin Patterson at 708.849.8627. Space is limited.



Barry Booth (right) announced his son, Ryan, has enrolled at the UIC College of Dentistry.

## President Profile

### Generand Algenio, DDS, MS | SOUTH SUBURBAN

Dr. Algenio earned his dental degree from Northwestern University Dental School in 1998. He earned his specialty degree in pediatric dentistry and dental public health from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry in 2001

**Home:** Dr. Algenio lives in Mokena with his wife, Loridine, and children Guillan (15), Genine (4) and Genali (2). He practices in Flossmoor.



The Algenios: (Clockwise) Guillan, Generand, Genine, Loridine and Genali.

**Outside of dentistry, my interests include:** traveling with my family (especially to Disney World) and following my children's activities (especially marching band). I also enjoy using anything electronic (although I don't have an iPad – at least not yet!), as well as collecting and watching movies. I have a better collection than Netflix.

**My goal for the coming year is:** to provide excellent programs in the grand tradition of CDS for our branch members. I aim to be proactive in reaching out to new dentists in the south suburbs and lead recruiting of new members.

**George Zehak** traveled to Champaign, where he participated in meetings of the Illinois State Dental Society Board of Trustees Sept. 23-25. He served as an alternate delegate at a meeting of the Illinois contingency of the American Dental Association House of Delegates.

On Sept. 25, George's three year term as ISDS trustee ended and **Gary Alder**, a fellow West Side Branch member, was installed as a new trustee.

George was sworn in as Northwest

Regent for the Academy of Dentistry International and participated in board meetings Oct. 5-6 in Orlando. The following day, he served as chair of the Illinois Section of the American College of Dentistry meeting, prior to the start of the ADA's Annual Session.

Christine and **Henry Fung** report their daughter, Stephanie, is entering her third and final year of dental school at the University of the Pacific in San Fran-

cisco. It is one of only a few in the country to feature a three-year dental school curriculum. The Fungs also report that their youngest daughter, Katharin, will be applying to dental school next year.

**Gary Clemens's** daughter, Erin, is also now in the third year – the clinics phase – of her dental program at the Marquette University School of Dentistry in Milwaukee. Erin recently participated in the Wisconsin Mission of Mercy in Sheboygan.

Georgia and **Dean Politis** are proud to announce that daughter Chistine has begun her studies in the dual DDS/PhD program at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry. She will follow a six-year program, with the first two years learning the traditional dental school curriculum, followed by two years working on her PhD and concluding with two years of clinical dentistry as her third and fourth year of the traditional dental curriculum.

I am impressed with how many dental families we currently have or will shortly have in the West Side Branch. As I noted in our last issue of Branch News, **Kamal and Charu Vibhakar's** daughter, Brindy, is now in her second year of study at Midwestern Dental School in Nevada. Other dental families from our branch include: three generations of the Smulson family, starting with grandfather **Marshall Smulson**, son **Paul Smulson** and granddaughter **Randi Smulson**; **Frank Orland** and **Carla Orland**, and daughter **Gina Orland**; **Rich Munaretto** and son **Rick Munaretto**; **Rich Caraba** and son **Brian Caraba**; **Chuck Thometz** and son **Tim Thometz**; husband and wife **Len Tragus** and **Anamaria Valenciano**, and their son **Mario Serrano**.

Speaking of families, **Len Tragus** and **Anamaria Valenciano** became grandparents in mid-April. The proud parents are Janet and **Mario Serrano**. Their beautiful baby girl is named Valerie Luna Serrano. All three generations vacationed in Orlando while attending the ADA Annual Session.

**Brian Caraba** tells me that **Rich Caraba**



flew in from Las Vegas and spent a week in Chicago this summer. While here he went to the CDS Cubs outing. Brian and Rich went to the Wisconsin State Fair and spent a few days sharing some quality family time.

Marilyn and **Jack Lieberman** recently spent time in Spain, Morocco and Portugal following the sale of Jack's dental practice on the northwest side of Chicago to **William Simon/City Smiles**. At the end of the year, they will throw in the towel and retire full-time. The Liebermans will then have time for family, opera, concert matinees and traveling. They will probably go to Florida during the winter to visit with their youngest daughter and family who were transferred there in August.

Before his Nov. 14 death, CDS President **Mike Stablein** provided an update on his children as follows: Michael Jr. (19) is a sophomore at the University of Illinois, having declared biology as his major. He is a member of the Zeta Beta Tau fraternity. Garbiella (17) is a senior at Stevenson High School and is considering several universities for next year. Andrew (14) is a freshman at Stevenson, hoping to make the basketball team. Amelia (12) is a 7th grader at Wright Jr. High School and enjoys playing volleyball.

Sue and **Zack Soiya** celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary June 9. They went to the California Dental Association meeting in San Francisco Sept. 9-12. Soon after they headed in another direction and traveled with a group of church friends to the St. John's Virgin Islands Westin Resort. They are planning to return to the same resort on St. John's – this time with family – to celebrate their anniversary.

Finally, on a sad note, the West Side Branch and organized dentistry as a whole note the death of **Irwin Robinson**, who was truly an icon in the dental world.

Irwin was an outstanding oral surgeon and teacher, past president of the West Side Branch and CDS, and a warm and caring person whose accomplishments are too many to be mentioned here.

His presence will be sorely missed by

the many who had the good fortune to meet him, whether sharing his friendship or benefiting from his many talents.

I hope to see all of you at our monthly meetings. Good fellowship, good food, intellectual stimulation and continuing education credits are all available the second Tuesday of each month. It's a winning combination.

And once again, with the wonderful holiday season fast approaching, I wish all of you good cheer, good health and much happiness during this very special time of the year. Auf wiedersehen for now.

### West Suburban

**Kenneth Korpan, DDS**

Our monthly meeting in October began with a bang, as we were treated to a "front row seats" dinner spectacular at the Naperville Country Club – complete with live TV cameras and a theater-style seating arrangement. Our speaker was Christine Palumbo RD, MBA, who presented "Top Foods for a Long and Healthy Life." Special thanks to Chef Tom at the Naperville Country Club for his personal attention to each and everyone's meal, which included his special healthy main course of sea bass and pork tenderloin. Yum!

**Joseph Maggio** recently returned from Greece, where he was installed as the president of the International Federation of Endodontic Associations. IFEA represents 26 countries and 25,000 dentists and endodontists worldwide. Joe continues to maintain his private endodontic practice in Lisle, while lecturing both nationally and internationally.

**Andy Browar, Taisa Szeremeta-Browar** and their daughter, Irena, went to Toronto for the wedding of Andy's goddaughter. They report the weather was great. And while Torontonians identify with Chicago as Canada's second city, they really are amazed with Chicago's politics.

West Suburban Branch Treasurer **Douglas Kay** has announced that he has successfully moved his practice to its new location at 17W535 Butterfield Rd., in Oakbrook Terrace. Good luck, Doug!

Last year our branch witnessed record-breaking turnouts. We are the largest branch of CDS (and we like to think we're the best, as well). Our branch is only as strong as the participation of our individual members. So I encourage you all to get involved.

If you are planning on attending a meeting please RSVP to Dottie Mackie at [damr53@me.com](mailto:damr53@me.com) or 630.515.1414. ■

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## Final Impressions by Walter F. Lamacki, DDS

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# Time for our profession to ‘get real’

I am a war history buff, especially the strategies and tactics of major battles. As I see it, the strategist – probably using his usually unlit pipe as a pointer while bent over a map – made battle plans that most often went astray. The tactician pulled the chestnuts out of the fire for the strategist.

These thoughts came to mind as I recently observed the Theater of the Absurd, AKA the ADA House of Delegates at its annual meeting in Orlando, FL, Oct. 9-13. It seemed to me like 462 delegates charged the microphones as if they were moving up Bunker Hill, pledging their sacred honor, lives and maybe their fortunes in their crusade against mid-level providers. In the end, they cobbled together yet another position paper reaffirming their intransigency.

There is no one definition of a mid-level provider. Many state societies have modified their state dental codes to allow some degree of expanded functions to be performed by suitably educated hygienists and assistants. In my mind, no matter what their designation, they are mid-level providers.

To be fair, I believe the delegates strongly oppose the creation of a two-tier dental delivery system that allows mid-level providers to practice independently and perform irreversible procedures. Fueling their fervor is a Kellogg Foundation committee’s preliminary report called *Training New Dental Professionals to Alleviate Serious Access Problems*, which favors a two-tier system. A major flaw in the committee’s paper is assuming this new class of providers would practice in underserved areas.

Contrary to the opinion of some, I too believe an unbridled mid-level provider is a bad remedy for the access to care issue. No two-year training program will produce a mid-level provider that could safely perform surgery and irreversible procedures.

And facing the same marketplace pressures that dentists face, they would soon be migrating to more financially fertile



The ADA House of Delegates

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fields, leaving the underserved areas back at square one.

The profession’s strategy in combating unwarranted intrusions in the practice of dentistry thus far has been primarily in the political arena. Now we need to adopt different tactics as the battle intensifies.

Make no mistake; the Kellogg Foundation is a colossus with deep pockets. Its message will resonate with the public and lawmakers. We have done a good job with our legislators, state and federal, but we must engage the public with our compelling message of the profession’s 151 years of advancing the oral health of the American people.

Mid-level provider legislation will be proposed and passed in many states buoyed by the Kellogg report. I believe our tactics in opposition should be proactive and not protective. First, we must make the argument that any new provider should be under the direct supervision of a licensed dentist, and only in some special cases (i.e., Alaska) indirect.

Second, we must define the scope of practice. The ADA should begin now by setting which procedures can be delegated safely.

Furthermore, we must have oversight of the education of a mid-level provider. Any program should be accredited by the ADA’s Commission on Dental Accreditation.

These tactics for shaping the debate are not self-serving; they are a reasonable response. We should not stand in the way of a Mack truck running downhill, but adapt to the ebb and flow of battle. Drawing the line on these three principles will be respected by the public and lawmakers and reaffirm our professionalism.

As my grandkids say, “get real.” ■

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