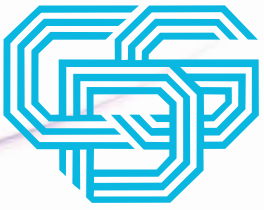


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September 21 Regional Meeting minutes

The Sept. 21 Chicago Dental Society Regional Meeting convened at the Drury Lane Oak Brook in Oak Brook Terrace with CDS President Ian Elliott presiding. Dr. Elliott called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

Attention was directed to the minutes of the meeting of Nov. 10, 2010. Inasmuch as the official minutes of the meeting of Nov. 10, 2010 were published in the January/February 2011 issue of the *CDS Review*, a motion was entertained to dispense with reading them.

MOVED by John Gerding, seconded by David Fulton Jr., and carried to dispense with reading the Nov. 10, 2010, minutes at this time.

MOVED by Dr. Gerding, seconded by Andrew Browar and carried to accept the minutes of the meeting of Nov. 10, 2010.

Attention was directed to the minutes of the meeting of Nov. 14, 2010. Inasmuch as the minutes of the meeting of Nov. 14, 2010, were published in the January/February 2011 issue of the *CDS Review*, a motion was entertained to dispense with reading them.

MOVED by Dr. Gerding, seconded by Donald Tuck, and carried to dispense with reading the Nov. 14, 2010, minutes at this time.

MOVED by Dr. Browar, seconded by Dr. Fulton, and carried to accept the minutes of the meeting of Nov. 14, 2010.

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MOVED by Richard Holba, seconded by John Hagopian, and carried to dispense with reading the Jan. 12, 2011, minutes at this time.

MOVED by Dr. Browar, seconded by Dr. Fulton, and carried to accept the minutes of the meeting of Jan. 12, 2011

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

There was no New or Unfinished Business to report.

With no further business, Dr. Elliott called upon Astrid Schroetter to introduce J. William Robbins, DDS, MA, who presented the program entitled "Global Diagnosis – Beyond Smile Design."

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

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comments from our readers

Remembering Michael Stablein one year later

I wish to say thank you to my friends and colleagues of the Chicago Dental Society for your support.

Dr. Michael Stablein, my husband, partner and colleague, has been gone for almost one year. Last year, Nov. 14, 2010, he died suddenly and in my presence. A light in my life was lost forever. I remain humbled by this experience, but as he would expect, life marches on. I must make the best of it; I owe it to my children.

The Chicago Dental Society, my “extended family,” has been very generous to me. I appreciate the voluminous presence at Michael’s funeral, every kind word, every unsolicited offer to help, every hug, and every knowing look. Thank you. You came to pay homage to a friend and colleague, but you did much more. You proved the value of belonging to a group, an organization. And wasn’t Michael the champion of organized dentistry?

The Michael Stablein Memorial Fund (MSMF) has been put to good use. All your contributions to the fund were redirected to the Chicago Dental Society Foundation for distribution. In order to reflect the kind of access to care that Michael professed, the monies will deliver quality dental care to individuals who can not afford such care, as well as restorative dental and periodontal care specifically, and bring individuals back to dental health and provide them the opportunity of a smile that will increase their probability of leading more productive lives. The two organizations, selected by the CDS Foundation, that best meet these needs are the Erie Family Health Center and the Northwest Community Hospital (NCH) Mobile Dental Clinic. We currently have more than \$8,000 in the MSMF. The CDS Foundation has awarded \$10,000 to the NCH Mobile Dental Clinic in honor of Michael. Thank you, again, for your support.

As part of his efforts to increase access to care, Michael worked hard with establishing the CDS Government Affairs Committee. He was proud of that. Subsequently, and not unrelated to it, the Cook County Board, led by President Toni Preckwinkle, has chosen to add \$1 million to the county budget and earmarked it for oral health care. As was pointed out by our good friend and esteemed colleague CDS President Ian Elliott in a commentary in the July/August issue of the *CDS Review*: “We are educating our public officials on the importance of oral healthcare and the need for it to be an integral part of any healthcare policy that addresses access to care. In Cook County, at least, we have an opportunity to make a difference now that the policy-makers and the dental community are at least communicating with each other. The trick is to sustain this momentum.”

On behalf of my children, Michael, Gabriela, Andrew, Amelia, and myself, I would like to once again thank you all for your generosity and your encouragement.

– Caroline Scholtz, DDS, MS
Lincolnshire

Corrections

In the November issue of the *CDS Review*, the name of Midwinter Meeting General Chair Dean Nicholas was misspelled.

Dr. Joseph Maggio is the Gordon J. Christensen Award recipient for 2012. A second reference incorrectly mentions the 2011 recipient.

The Second City and Deep Dish Pizza tour is Saturday, Feb. 25. A second reference incorrectly listed it as Friday.

Dental foundations could use a partner in the Alliance

I read the Final Impressions commentary, “Some absurd ideas are worth trying” (September/October), which suggests the “absurd idea” of all the dental foundations banding together for the purpose of promoting prevention through education.

Now imagine if those foundations would invite the countless experts in the Alliance of the Illinois State Dental Society, who have been doing just that, to be in the think tank that creates solutions. It would be the best of all worlds for the creators, implementers and recipient/participants if that could actually happen.

Thanks to editor Walter Lamacki for a thought-provoking article. I, for one, would be more inclined to contribute for prevention and education than for more of the same-old, same-old.

– Johanna Manasse
Matteson



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President's Perspective by Ian Elliott, DDS

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Who will lead?

There is continued pressure for the Kellogg and Pew foundations to advance their view of how we should be dealing with access to care issues with mid-level providers. Both Pew and Kellogg have dedicated significant effort and money to promote mid-level providers in a number of states. At the American Dental Association Annual Session in October in Las Vegas, the House of Delegates passed a resolution that earmarked \$5 million to support constituencies battling mid-level provider initiatives from Kellogg and Pew.

But we need to do more.

To protect how we choose to practice dentistry in Illinois, and across the country, we have to be able to win the battles in the state legislature. In order for a mid-level provider (or some mutation of it) to practice, the state's Dental Practice Act has to be amended or changed.

You can bet the Kellogg and Pew foundations will lobby state legislators to support their position that mid-level providers will improve access to care.

We have no choice but to lobby legislators at both the state and national levels, and present our case that the mid-level provider is far from a solution to providing the public access to quality care.

The unsupervised practice of dentistry by allied dental personnel performing irreversible procedures is not in the interest of the public we serve.

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On another topic, when I attend my West Suburban Branch meetings, there are new faces, young faces there. Now I'm the old guy.

What's the reason for the new faces? Is it because the season ticket price was lowered to \$150? Maybe. Is it because they place value on the camaraderie and the continuing education provided at the branch meeting? Possibly.

My point is the number of young dentists at these branch

meetings is increasing. Unfortunately, when I attend the Members Group meeting, I know I won't be one of the old guys there, not even close.

But are the younger dentists eager to step into leadership positions and get involved? I'm not so sure.

Certainly, there are young dentists up for the challenge and ready to be involved in organized dentistry. Yes, it requires commitment, desire and, most of all, time. From my vantage point, the benefits are well worth the effort.

For me, what makes my involvement with organized dentistry worthwhile is the relationships I've made along the way. I'm sure I've said it before that the business of organized dentistry – the meetings, advocacy, policy – is all very important, but it's the friendships that are made that sustain you and last forever.

It is critical for CDS to have a continual influx of new, young, talented individuals who want to give back to their profession by assuming leadership positions within organized dentistry. The best place to start this journey is at a branch meeting. I urge young dentists to just go, meet with friends and make more, new friends, and please get involved. You might just enjoy it; I know I did.

The unsupervised practice of dentistry by allied dental personnel performing irreversible procedures is not in the interest of the public we serve.

This is the last perspective I will have the privilege to write. Jan and I want to thank everyone who helped make *Great Expectations: A Dental Continuum* such a special Midwinter Meeting and a great year for us; we hope it did the same for all of you. I specifically want to thank my general chair, Terri Tiersky, and my program chair, Mike Durbin, for their endless pursuit of talented clinicians to create the phenomenal scientific program that was our 146th MWM. The quality of the program is a reflection of who they are, and they have my respect and gratitude for a job so well done. The Chicago Dental Society is also very fortunate to have an entire staff dedicated and loyal to CDS and its mission and core values. They are exceptional individuals and it is truly a pleasure to work with them.

It has been my honor to serve CDS. Thank you for the opportunity and the privilege.

P.S. Rumor has it that I will have a lot of time on my hands starting Jan. 1. . . I hope so! ■



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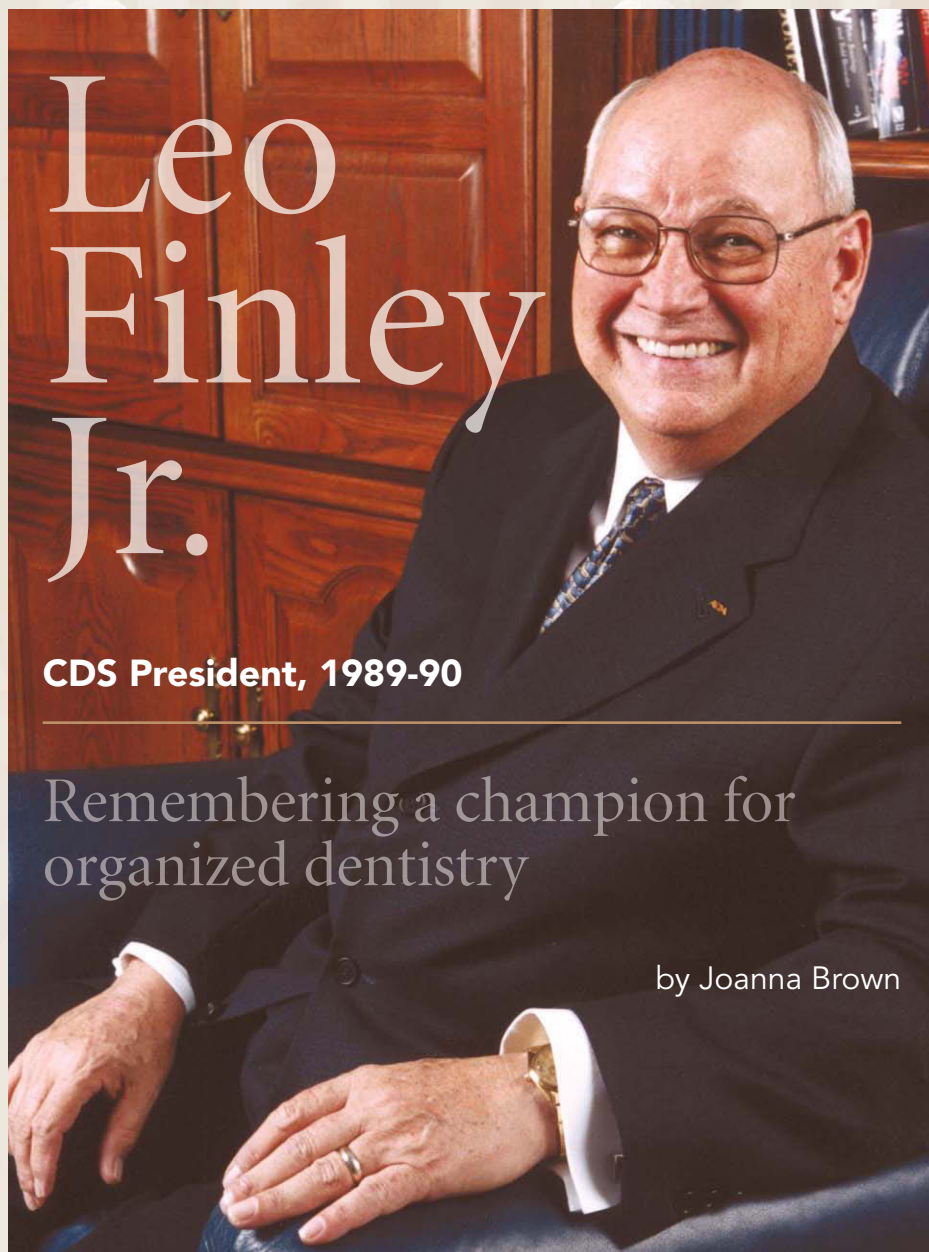
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Leo Finley Jr.

CDS President, 1989-90

Remembering a champion for organized dentistry

by Joanna Brown

Standing up for dentistry

Starting in 1965, Leo Finley served organized dentistry in innumerable ways while maintaining a successful general dentistry practice.

During the Illinois State Dental Society Annual Session House of Delegates meeting in September, the contributions by Dr. Finley to the profession were recognized and honored in a resolution adopted by the House.

The ISDS resolution requesting that the Illinois House of Representatives adopt a House Memorial Resolution in honor of the life and accomplishments of Dr. Finley was voted on in an unprecedented way.

Speaker of the House Paul Kattner asked all delegates who agreed with the resolution to stand and remain standing. They all stood.

Dr. Kattner then asked all of the ISDS trustees supporting the resolution to stand and remain standing. They all stood.

The Speaker called on all the past presidents in attendance that agreed with the resolution to stand and remain standing. They all stood.

The officers of ISDS at the dais were polled. They all stood. The Speaker then asked all guests who agreed with the resolution to stand and remain standing. They all stood.

He asked all the ISDS staff who agreed with the resolution to stand and remain standing. They all stood.

They all silently stood for Dr. Finley, and that was only fitting.

The Speaker declared the vote unanimous.

— Walter Lamacki

Past president of the Chicago Dental Society Dr. Leo R. Finley Jr. died Friday, Aug. 26, in his home in Orland Park. He was 73.

Dr. Finley served as president of CDS in 1989-90, and served the American Dental Society as 8th District trustee in 1998. These were but two of the leadership roles he accepted during his 40-year career as a south suburban dentist and an active participant in organized dentistry.

“Dr. Finley was the kind of guy you could fish with for 10 hours in a boat and never get tired of him,” said H. Todd Cubbon, another CDS past president. Dr. Cubbon called Dr. Finley a mentor to him as he served as an officer of their shared South Suburban Branch. “It could be rainy and cold, and you would still jump out of bed and look forward to doing it again the next day.”

At CDS, Dr. Finley held all offices in his South Suburban Branch before his term as president in 1972-73. He was later elected to the CDS Board of Directors, and ultimately served as president of CDS in 1989-90, which coincided with the 125th Midwinter Meeting.

At the state level, Dr. Finley was elected vice speaker of the Illinois State Dental Society’s House of Delegates and chaired the Dent-IL-PAC Governor’s Club.

At the national level, Dr. Finley represented Illinois dentists at the ADA House of Delegates, 1986-88 and 1996-97. He was elected 8th District trustee in 1998.

Dr. Finley ran an unsuccessful campaign for president of the ADA in 2002. He told the *CDS Review* at that time, “In the past 39 years, I have been privileged to work with many volunteers in my capacity as committee member or officer and have made many close friends across the country. I’ve enjoyed seeing how our organization has changed and grown. My role in making some of those changes possible has been the most satisfying moments of my career.”

‘Dr. Finley was the kind of guy you could fish with for 10 hours in a boat and never get tired of him.’

Dr. Cubbon most admired the honesty with which Dr. Finley built relationships.

“He never pulled a punch. He looked you straight in the eye and didn’t mince words,” Dr. Cubbon said. “But he also had a wry sense of humor, and you really had to look for the twinkle in his eye to know if he was fooling you.”

Dr. Finley was a graduate of the Chicago College of Dental Surgery/Loyola University, Class of 1963, and a veteran of the U.S. Army. He served with the Dental Corps as a captain, 1963-65.

He returned to Chicago at the end of his service to start his practice and to teach at the Loyola University Dental School through 1969.

Dr. Finley is survived by his wife of 50 years, Alicia; their children Leo III (Brenda), Timothy (Donna), Allen (Laurie), Suzanne Duntz and Paul (Laura); 13 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Services were held in August. It was requested that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the American Cancer Society. ■

Ms. Brown is CDS senior writer.



File photo

Wally and Leo circa 1985.

The Leo I knew

I met Leo Finley at the Loyola University Dental School in 1959; for the next 53 years, Leo was a friend, a colleague and a constructive sounding board.

Leo had a distinguished career in organized dentistry, serving CDS, ISDS and ADA. He had an aura of calmness that reassured people and allowed him to achieve consensus as a leader.

While serving as officers of CDS (in 1985-86, Leo was treasurer and I, president), we received an angry letter from a member. I forgot what the gentleman was mad about, but he copied the five of us. Perhaps because of his fury, he misspelled Leo’s last name. For the next 30 years, he was always Finkley. It was a private joke that usually elicited a smile from Leo.

Although he served on and chaired a broad range of committees, legislation was his forte. He served on the state’s Committee on Legislation and the ADA’s Council on Governmental Affairs; he was elected vice chair of the council. He was a trustee liaison to ADPAC. He ran for president-elect of the ADA in 2002 and I had the honor of serving as his campaign manager.

Sadly it was not to be; our delegation was devastated, but Leo flashed that broad smile of his that seemed to be a permanent fixture of his face and consoled those who had worked so hard for his election.

Away from work, Leo got great joy from fishing and I would tease him about it being a waste of time. He would just chuckle at the lame chiding. Cooking and eating the fish he caught was another favorite activity.

He was diagnosed with lung cancer a few years ago. He knew how deadly the disease could be, but he faced it with a sense of equanimity. We would call each other often in those years; I would not mention the dreaded C-word, although he did bring up the progress of his treatment.

About six weeks before his death, I called. His voice was stronger and more upbeat than our previous conversation; he had just returned from a successful fishing trip with his son Leo and was frying up a batch of his catch. I called several times the week leading up to his death, but got no answer; I thought he and Alicia, his wife of 50 years, were probably at their summer home. A few days later, Leo called: his voice was weak and raspy. We left unsaid the obvious.

The call was short. My last words to him were, “Leo, I love you.”

As I write, it is a week before the Illinois State Dental Society’s House of Delegates meeting. For 12 years we have sat next to each other in the front row and next to the current ADA Trustee. I will be there again, alone, but Leo’s presence will be there with me. Always.

— Walter Lamacki

The Benefits of Mentorship

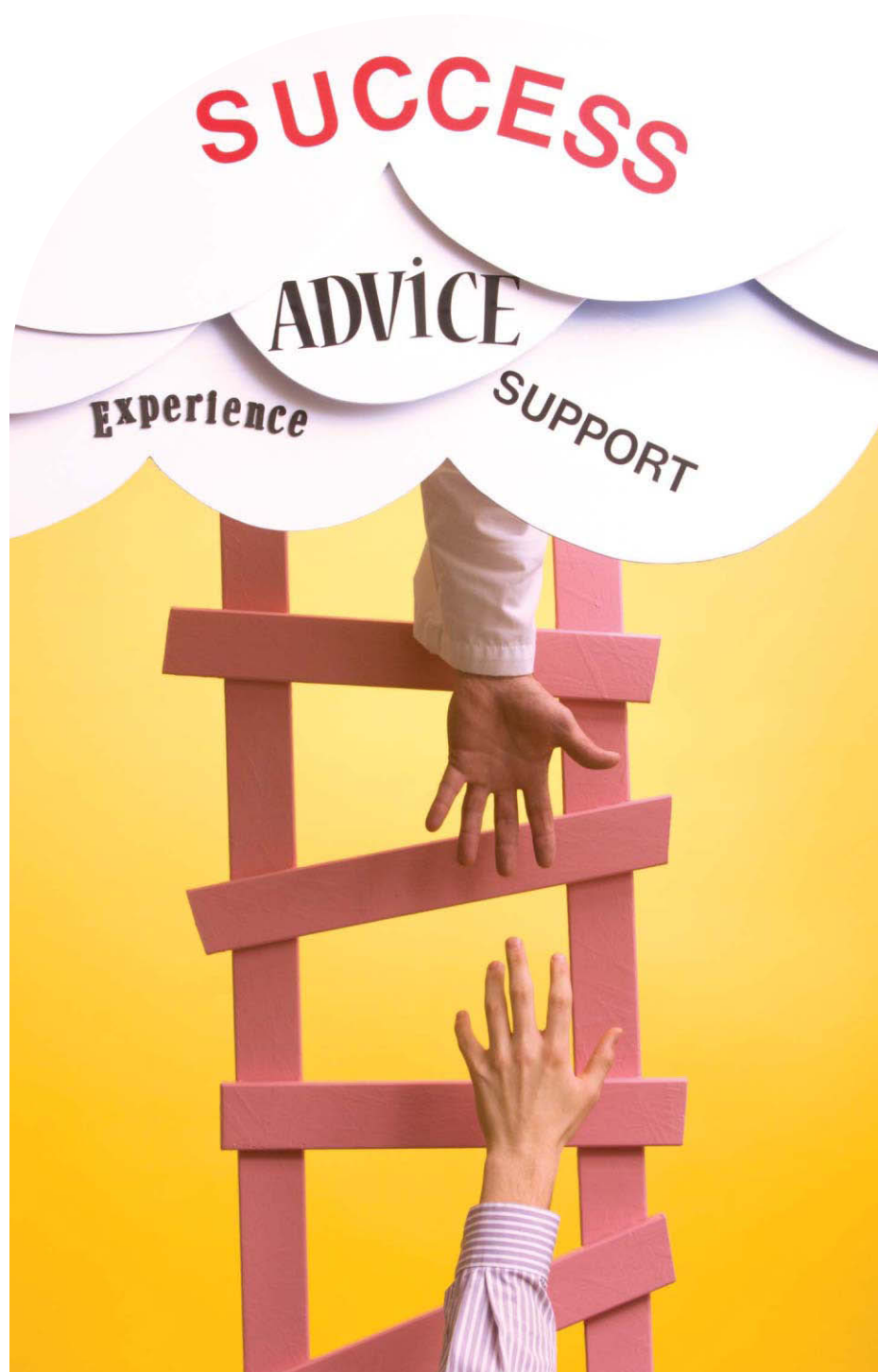
by Joanna Brown

The 2011 Midwinter Meeting celebrated the Dental Continuum – that great space between the beginnings of dentistry and your own practice of it, as well as the span of your own career. Consider how it began, and what you will leave behind when you inevitably retire.

It's no doubt difficult (as you sit in your office humming "Sunrise, Sunset") to trace the path from Pierre Fauchard's French surgical suite to your waiting room, and even harder to imagine what the next 300 years will bring for the profession. The best you can hope for are smooth transitions.

Mentors will undoubtedly play a crucial role in those transitions, just as they likely helped you make some serious career decisions.

"When I think about the dental continuum, mentors are, in fact, our way of passing on the tradition of our great profession," said CDS president Ian Elliott, who selected the theme *Great Expectations: a Dental Continuum* for the 2011 Midwinter Meeting. "Of the many functions that mentors have, one of the most important is to pass on the idea of what being a dental professional really is. It's more than being proficient technically at the many procedures that we



do. It's how we care for those we treat. It's about knowing the patient, listening to them, understanding their concerns. It's about developing strong relationships with our colleagues and it's about deciding how you want to give back to your profession."

Throughout the healthcare professions, mentorship is a formal social support that aids in the professional development of healthcare providers, from career selection in the beginning to advancement over the years. The North American Primary Care Research Group (NAPCRG) reported in the July/August 2010 issue of the *Annals of Family Medicine* that social support can be divided into four areas: emotional support, which provides empathy and trust; instrumental support, which gives concrete assistance; informational support, for information and advice; and

young dentist and the mentor benefit from their mutual relationship. The young dentists have someone with real world experience to guide them as they enter actual practice and the business of dentistry. The mentor is someone the new dentist can use as a sounding board to discuss the many questions they will have about private practice."

It's true, said Lana Fourdyce, who entered the Chicago Dental Society's Mentorship Program in 2003, her first year at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry. She endured a few unsuccessful pairings before she met mentor dentist Diane Kleiber.

"I don't have anyone in my family who is a dentist and I'm from St. Louis, so I didn't have any connections to the local dental scene," remembered Dr. Fourdyce, now a general dentist practicing

in Naperville. She sought out a mentor who could ease her transition into the Chicago dental community and show her what a career in a dental office would be like.

dyce said. "I didn't have to see them every other week, but I was able to bounce things off them as issues came up, and to talk about negotiating contracts and how many patients you see in a day; in dental school, we only see two."

Fourth year UIC dental student Rusty Fitton is having a different, but equally valuable experience with his mentor, an orthodontist. Though his father is a dentist and Mr. Fitton is planning a career in general dentistry, he said his experience with a specialist has been exceptional.

"I've gotten a lot of insight into what's possible in his specialty and how I can use that to treat my patients in the future – it's something I might not have even thought to bring up to my patients as a possibility. Also, I have an idea of how to convey those possibilities to my future patients so that they might understand it, as well."

In addition, Mr. Fitton said his mentor has offered school-related advice during the more difficult phases of his dental education.

Both Dr. Fourdyce and Mr. Fitton offered advice to mentor dentists.

Dr. Fourdyce recommended that mentors

accompany their students to a CDS branch meeting – which can be intimidating to a first-time attendee.

"You show up at your first meeting and you have no one to talk to, and then you don't go back because it's not social for you," she said.

And Mr. Fitton encouraged mentors to be open and accessible to their students.

"And tell us what you would have done differently if you could have. A lot of great things come out of the mentorship program for both sides, but more than anything we just want to learn." ■

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appraisal support, which provides concrete feedback and encouragement.

Although each type of support is important, one mentor need not provide all four kinds. "Each mentor relationship is important to the mentee's development and can fit together with other experiences to complete the jigsaw puzzle that is their career," the NAPCRG described. "Often less experienced mentors, even someone who is simply one year more advanced than the mentee, can provide crucial and up-to-date advice. Even if mentors have limited time, just spending a short 30 minutes with a mentee can be very helpful."

Dr. Elliott explained: "Both the

ing in Naperville. She sought out a mentor who could ease her transition into the Chicago dental community and show her what a career in a dental office would be like.

"I needed to see the light at the end of the tunnel," she said. "Sure, I could pour molds for four hours in dental school, but how does it all work out in the real world?"

Dr. Kleiber and her husband, Bill, also a dentist, invited Dr. Fourdyce to their office. They took her to lunch and they returned her calls when she had questions.

"Just talking to them made me feel better when it was stressful," Dr. Four-



Smartphone

Apps

for your practice



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by Rachel Azark

At the beginning of August, apple.com listed more than 425,000 applications (or apps) to download for your iPhone and over 90,000 apps for the iPad. The magnitude of the speed at which apps are growing is astounding; it makes you wonder how anything that enormous can still be user-friendly.

And yet, apps remain as popular as the day they were first launched. Apple introduced its iPhone in 2007, complete with its touchscreen design, Internet access and iPod capabilities. The Mac App Store launched shortly after with 1,000 free and paid apps and everything seemed to change.

In the first day, according to Apple, downloads topped 1 million. Sixteen days after it debuted, downloads were over 10 billion. In the Android marketplace, there are a comparable number of apps available for downloading, as well.

Driving that success, says Jeff Koehler, president of XecuDev, a startup iOS app development company, is the interactivity of each app, as well as the cost savings apps offer to small businesses like dental practices. Big business capabilities are available at the tip of your fingers, but without the big price tag.

“I think smart phones are technically so superior and advanced compared to a normal, old PC,” says Mr. Koehler. “They’re in the palm of your hand and they can basically do the same thing. It’s really personal.”

Good for business

There are apps that help to streamline business operations. Search the App Store for keywords like gum disease, accounting or expense reports and you'll find apps to help manage everything from Accounts Payable to Zombie Debt.

Square is an app for your mobile device that lets you accept credit cards quickly and easily. With the FedEx app you can track your shipments, create

shipping labels, and create a shipment without ever needing a printer. There's even an app that scans receipts.

If the dental team is going to a continuing education meeting, the ProOn-Go Expense with Receipt Reader is one app that tracks receipts. Or, if you want everyone to meet somewhere for lunch, Beluga is a free app for text messaging groups.

"It's just simple things like that – that's what small businesses care about," said Mr. Koehler. "They care about the pennies and dollars."

so when they leave they can review it with a spouse or parent at home," said Ms. Swank. "The video is an animation showing step 1, step 2, step 3 of what would happen during a procedure or what gingivitis long-term would look like."

Ms. Swank says that the main purpose of the iPad in the office is to better educate their patients.

"They leave feeling educated and have a better understanding of what's going on," said Ms. Swank.

Shop smart

With so many apps available, you need to be cautious of the ones you are downloading for your phone or iPad.

"There's just too much out there," said Mr. Koehler. "It allows people to get conned into buying an app they thought did this and it doesn't do that at all."

He suggests reading the review sites to see what other users are saying before downloading any apps. ■

Ms. Azark is the CDS editorial assistant.

New app helps users enjoy Illinois attractions

The Illinois Office of Tourism recently launched a new free mobile travel application for Android and iPhone to make getting around Illinois easier. The Enjoy Illinois application is a pocket tour guide that allows users to access more than 10,000 listings statewide including attractions, dining, accommodations, events, deals and more. Visit www.enjoyillinois.com for more information.

Good for patients

Other apps will impact the way you communicate with patients.

Rebeca Swank, business and marketing coordinator at Foster Dental Care in Blue Springs, MO, says that purchasing an iPad for their dental office has helped with patient education. This practice favors the options offered by the DDS GP app, but there are several options currently on the market.

"With this app we're also able to capture videos to [the patient's] e-mail,

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House of Delegates takes on student debt, workforce issues

by Will Conkis

The 2011 American Dental Association House of Delegates mirrored the nation's conversations and concerns on a sluggish economy, spending, programs and debt.

During the House session convened in October in Las Vegas, delegates wrestled with issues from fiscal responsibility and the ADA to the increasing debt burden incurred by new dentists borrowing to finance their dental education. Like the nation, House deliberations were influenced by an economy struggling to recover from the so-called Great Recession.

The 8th District delegation representing Illinois dentists was in the forefront of the conversation. Regarding student debt, the 8th District put forth a proposal that could have ramifications not only on student debt but the issue of access to care.

Passing the House with ease, Resolution 91 calls for the appropriate councils and ADA agencies to investigate the development and implementation of a student loan repayment grant program for dentists working in non-profit community dental clinics and report to the 2012 House of Delegates. The financial implications of the proposal will be detailed in the report to the 2012 House. The 11th and 13th Districts, representing Montana and Oregon and California respectively, joined Illinois as sponsors of the resolution.

Delegates speaking for the resolution on the House floor reflected information

“Ensuring a sustainable oral health workforce is crucial to expanding the availability of oral health services, particularly the needs of the underserved. A student loan reduction program would provide recent dental school graduates with substantial loan reduction grants in exchange for their service in underserved communities.”

presented in the resolution.

The resolution background statement explained: “Ensuring a sustainable oral health workforce is crucial to expanding the availability of oral health services, particularly the needs of the underserved. A student loan reduction program would provide recent dental school graduates with substantial loan reduction grants in exchange for their service in underserved communities.

“The basis of need for a program like this is:

- Dental students are graduating with an increasing loan debt in excess of \$250,000.
- Loan repayment obligations erode a graduate's ability to choose where to practice in order to provide sufficient income to fulfill these loan obligations.
- Approximately 30 percent of the country's population lacks sufficient access to dentists.

- Existing loan reduction programs are insufficient to address current needs.
- Current repayment programs have proven that three-year commitments have resulted in dentists remaining in those public health settings for the long-term.”

While Resolution 91 targets access to care and student debt, the 8th District's Resolution 41 takes on the controversy of mid-level providers and the alternative dental workforce model.

Resolution 41 called for science to determine the usefulness of alternative workforce models in providing care to the underserved. The resolution drew diverse testimony in the Dental Education, Science and Related Matters Reference Committee hearing, which resulted in a substitute resolution being offered by the committee.

It calls for the ADA to conduct and report on a systematic review of the lit-

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erature on non-dentist workforce models which exist or are under development in the United States and other countries that include diagnosis, treatment plan formulation and/or the performance of irreversible and/or surgical dental procedures, with a report coming back to the 2012 House.

Essentially the 8th District argued that much of the information about alternative workforce models is not scientific and usually biased. ADA policy has been and should be science based, the 8th District argued. Opponents were concerned that such a report could be used against constituents and components opposing non-dental workforces in their states. The House voted 73 percent to 27 percent to adopt the substitute resolution.

“We need to provide the science, and science will be our strength [in this debate]. Science is not our enemy...it is our opportunity,” Kirk Noraian, 8th District delegate and an author of the resolution, said.

Other 8th District issues

The 8th District was in the midst of a number of major issues addressed by the House of Delegates.

CDS members who served as delegates included president Ian Elliott, also a member of the Budget, Business and Administrative Matters Reference Committee; secretary David Fulton Jr.; president-elect John Gerding; Patrick Hann; treasurer Richard Holba; Northwest Side Branch director Louis Imburgia; Dennis Manning; Edward Segal; Terri Tiersky; Cheryl Watson-Lowry; and CDS Foundation chair George Zehak.

Alternate delegates who are CDS members included Theodore Borris; Brian Caraba; Gerald Ciebien; North Side Branch director John Hagopian; Mark Humenik; North Suburban Branch director Paul Kattner; Maharukh Kravich; James Maragos; Barbara Mousel, also a member of the Dental

Education, Science and Related Matters Reference Committee; Mary Starsiak; Ronald Testa; and Northwest Suburban Branch director Petra Von Heimburg.

ADA dues to increase by \$7

After approving programs that added \$1.8 million to the ADA’s 2012 operating budget, the House of Delegates voted to increase dues by \$7 to end its annual legislative session, held this year in Las Vegas.

No increase in dues would have resulted in a projected deficit of \$375,543. ADA dues for 2012 is \$512.

ed 39,000 attendees, Dr. O’Laughlin reported to the House that the ADA was a slimmer, fitter organization after many cost cutting moves were made, including replacing the defined pension benefit with a traditional 401(k) for new employees. She added that the reductions reflected the need “for the ADA to go to the gym and stop eating junk food.”

Also, she said, the sluggish economy and a market share of 68 percent – the lowest in 15 years – of dentists in the United States was putting stress on the ADA.

But despite the attendance figures,



8th District representatives at the Second Meeting of the House of Delegates.

Projected expenditures for next year are \$120,139,667; expected revenue is \$119,764,124. A \$4 increase in the dues would have covered the projected deficit.

But the annual speech to the House by Executive Director Kathleen O’Laughlin and attendance figures for the Annual Session may have influenced the dues increase approved by the House.

With the attendance for the Annual Session falling 10,000 short of a project-

the economy and the market share numbers, Dr. O’Laughlin said renewal is happening for the ADA and in the ADA. The delegates’ confidence in that renewal effort was reflected in the ease with which the dues increase passed the House.

Additionally, supporters of the hike noted the increase would have less of an impact with the end of a \$27 per member special assessment to upgrade ADA technology coming off the 2012 dues.

Faiella chosen as president-elect

Robert Faiella was picked by the House of Delegates to be president-elect of the American Dental Association during the Annual Session in October.

Dr. Faiella, who served as trustee from the 1st District (Massachusetts) on the ADA Board of Trustees, was elected on the first ballot during the HOD session in Las Vegas. His only challenger was Andy Elliott of Kentucky, who served as ADA first and second vice president from 2007-2009.



Robert Faiella

Dr. Faiella will assume the office of president at the end of next year's annual session after the term of William Calnon, the 48th president of the ADA, ends.

In his responses to questions from the *ADA News* put to the two candidates, Dr. Faiella identified the three most critical issues facing dentistry today as follows: increasing membership in the ADA by bringing younger dentists into the association and encouraging their participation in the governance of the ADA; addressing access to oral healthcare while assuring the dentist remains the head of the dental team and provides diagnostic, treatment planning and surgical/irreversible services; and issues facing dental education including student debt and expansion of workforce models beyond ADA policy.

There were two other contested elections at the Annual Session.

Incumbent House Speaker J. Thomas Soliday of Maryland faced a challenge from David Anderson of Virginia. Soliday was returned to the speaker's podium for the eighth straight year. He told the House he intends to seek one more term; he said he wishes to see the completion of the three-year project to make the House almost paperless. He was elected on the first ballot.

A lean, mean, fighting machine

It was a busy 2011 House of Delegates in October during the American Dental Association Annual Session in Las Vegas.

A smaller, nimbler House of Delegates?

The HOD approved a resolution that could lead to it being cut in half, from about 460 to 250 delegates, or a cap on the size of the House could be the net result. Resolution 38 from the ADA Board of Trustees approved spending \$300,000 to study "governance."

The Board's resolution was born from four other resolutions, one them calling for the House size to be cut in half. One of the four, Resolution 75, said reducing the House size would free constituency funds for recruitment and retention. A report on governance and recommendations will be presented to the 2012 House in San Francisco.

Funding for advocacy in states increased

Resolution 37 was introduced by the 8th District (Illinois) and was aimed at increasing grant funds for state public affairs at a critical time for advocacy for dentistry. Resolution 37RC was substituted for R37 and was adopted. Thanks to the 8th District, funding was raised by \$874,105 to \$3.5 million for the grant program designed to aid constituencies when advocating for the profession with state legislatures.

The 'party' is over?

Resolution 57 from the 14th District (Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah) called for the reform of guidelines governing campaigns for ADA office. The main target of the reform was replacing campaign receptions for candidates for ADA president with a candidate forum. The receptions are operated and funded by the candidate's campaign and/or his district.

Proponents of the change called the receptions, held the night before the election, "parties" and a "waste" of money. Opponents see the receptions as a valuable way for delegates to meet and discuss issues with candidates. The resolution was referred to the appropriate ADA councils for study and report to the 2012 HOD.

The ADA does not provide any funding for the receptions.

It's easier to raise dues in the House

The House changed the number of votes needed to pass a dues increase for active members. Instead of a two-thirds majority, a dues increase will pass if 60 percent of the delegates say Yes. The resolution amending the bylaws was adopted easily, 84 percent Yes to 16 percent No.

Kenneth Versman of Colorado was chosen to be second vice president on the first ballot. The other candidate for the office was Morris Antonelli of Maryland.

There will be contested elections in the 2012 House.

District 16 (North Carolina) Trustee Charles Norman and District 17 (Flori-

da) Trustee Sam Low declared their candidacy for ADA president-elect.

Two candidates declared for speaker of the House: Glen Hall of District 15 (Texas) and Bob Peskin of District 2 (New York). ■

Mr. Conkis is CDS Director of Publications.

ISDS House of Delegates

ISDS House adopts policy for funding for national campaigns

by Rachel Azark

The Illinois State Dental Society's House of Delegates in September in St. Louis adopted a resolution establishing a policy for the endorsement of candidates from the 8th District running for an American Dental Association office in one or more of the four main national offices.

According to the Resolution 11 background statement, a clearer policy was needed because the policy adopted in 1991 falls short of addressing details such as how a pool of funding would be accumulated and what is an appropriate level of funding for an 8th District member's campaign.

The major points of Resolution 11 are:

- Any member wishing to be a candidate for an ADA elected office and seeking an endorsement and financial support from ISDS must first be endorsed by his or her component society.
- If a candidate is presented to ISDS, the ISDS president will appoint a subcommittee to assess the qualifications of the ADA candidate. The subcommittee will be made up of five members of the 8th District delegation, of which two will be from the downstate districts, two from the Chicago District, and the current ISDS president. The subcommittee will determine the qualifications of the candidate so that a recommendation can be transferred to the Board of Trustees.
- All candidates shall be referred to the Board of Trustees with a subcommittee recommendation for endorsement or not endorsement.
- If the Board of Trustees grants its endorsement, the Board of Trustees may contribute to a candidate's campaign in an amount up to the following, depending on which ADA elected office the

Jim Maragos to run for secretary

Past West Suburban Branch president Jim Maragos announced his candidacy for secretary of the Illinois State Dental Society during its 147th Annual Session in St. Louis in September.

"I'm seeking the office of Secretary of the Illinois State Dental Society because I have the commitment and experience to contribute to the leadership of our society," Dr. Maragos, who served as branch president from 2008-09, stated in his announcement of candidacy.

He is one of two candidates seeking the position. The other candidate is Terry Barnfield, a CDS associate member.

A general dentist, Dr. Maragos practices in LaGrange.

In his announcement, Dr. Maragos added that he served in many posts for ISDS and CDS. He is a member of the CDS Government Affairs Committee, and served as chair of the Regional Meeting Committee and as a member of the Dental Care Plans Committee. He also served on several Midwinter Meeting committees.



James Maragos

For ISDS, Dr. Maragos is a member of the Board of Trustees, chaired Dent-IL-PAC, and served as chair of the Governor's Club. He also has served ISDS as a delegate to the House of Delegates and a member of the Legislative Affairs Committee. He was Dent-IL-PAC director for the West Suburban Branch. He also served as an alternate delegate for the American Dental Association House of Delegates.

Dr. Maragos was elected and served as a member of the Village Board of trustees of Western Springs, where he resides with his family.

Dr. Barnfield lives with his family in Salem and operates a solo general practice.

"At this time, there are several challenges that our profession is facing. Access to care, mid-level providers and regulatory measures are only a sample of these numerous challenges. . . . I believe we must be committed to preserving our profession not only for ourselves, but more importantly, for the following generations of practitioners," Dr. Barnfield stated in his announcement of candidacy.

Dr. Barnfield has served as a delegate and alternate delegate in the ADA House of Delegates, a Southern District trustee, and general chair of the Capitol Conference. He is also the president of the Salem School District 111 Board of Education.

The election for 2012 secretary will be at the next ISDS House of Delegates in September. The elected secretary becomes president of ISDS five years after his election.

— Will Conkis

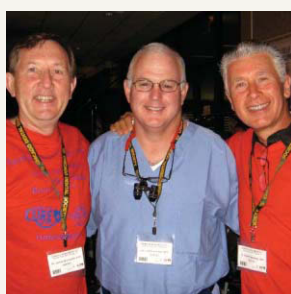
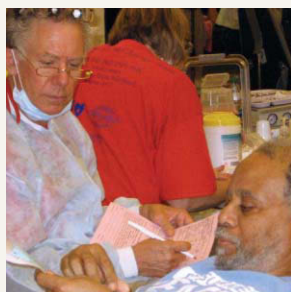
candidate is seeking: president-elect, \$25,000; second vice president, \$2,000; speaker of the House, \$10,000; treasurer, \$10,000.

• The Board of Trustees will accumulate funds for contribution toward these future ADA campaigns by adding

\$10,000 to the 2012 budget and \$5,000 to each year's budget thereafter until \$35,000 has been accumulated. After disbursement, monies will be replenished in similar increments until the maximum is once again reached. ■

Coming together for **CURE**

by Joanna Brown



The line formed long before the sun came up Friday, Aug. 19, the first day of the three-day free healthcare clinic organized by the Westchester-based Collaborative Underserved Relief and Education Network (CURE). With support from Remote Area Medical (RAM), CURE's volunteer dentists, physicians, ophthalmologists, nurses, hygienists, technicians and all their auxiliaries delivered care to more than 1,700 people.

Among the patients receiving care was a middle-aged man who had been homeless. He came to the CURE clinic from a shelter and assured the dentist, CDS member Tom Sullivan, that he was getting back on his feet.

The gentleman was visibly nervous; dental assistants worked hard to ease his fears and make him comfortable. Root tips in all four quadrants needed to come out, Dr. Sullivan recalled.

"By the end of it all, this gentleman called us angels who came down to give him a chance," said Dr. Sullivan, also a past president of the Illinois State Dental Society and a member of CURE's Board of Trustees. "He let us know that he was six months sober, and he knew that getting his teeth fixed and being rid of that pain was another tool he would have to maintain his sobriety."

Patients like that gentleman – nervous, yet hopeful for the care he was going to receive and grateful for the effects it would have on his life – were plentiful in the dental clinic that weekend. More than 1,100 patients received dental care, including 965 extractions, 758 fillings and 353 cleanings. Organizers estimate the value of these dental services exceeded \$400,000.

Also on site, 1,322 medical patients received 108 bone density screenings, 324 blood sugar screenings and 75 PAP tests. More than 770 patients were evaluated by optometrists, 300 were further screened by ophthalmologists, and 428 patients received prescription eye glasses ground on site.

"The event was so much more than I had hoped it would be," said Josette Szalko, executive director of CURE. "We had a great group of volunteers that really stepped

up. It was physically and emotionally challenging, but also a really exhilarating experience.

"We provided a dignified environment for patients. It was hard for them to come, they didn't know what to expect and they were nervous. A lot of the people who came through weren't expecting the level of care and compassion that they received."

Patients queued for services long before dawn, and received numbers as the sun rose. Upon registering, volunteer professionals met with each patient to take a brief health history and to chart the patient's course for the day: primary care and eye clinics were in the basement, and a dental clinic occupied the main floor.

"Nowhere can these people go and get all these services under one roof in one day," Ms. Szalko said. "Yes, they had to wait throughout the day, but otherwise seeing an ophthalmologist is totally inaccessible."

Volunteers – who also began arriving before 5 a.m. – met patients at the entrance to each clinic area for an exam before sending the patient toward a pro-

fessional, waiting to provide care.

Volunteers came from throughout the city and suburbs. Among them were many Chicago Dental Society members, but also nurses from the Veterans Administration hospitals, who helped patients better understand the medical services for which they are eligible, and volunteers from local churches who distributed snacks to patients in the waiting areas. The staff of Malcolm X College, so impressed by the clinic that had moved in during the college's registration period, collected donations and provided food on Saturday.

"It was a really good tired," recalled Dr. Sullivan, whose alarm went off at 3:30 a.m. in anticipation of a 12-hour workday. "My feet hurt, my back hurt, but at the end of the day it's still spiritually uplifting.

"For the volunteers that we had, these were incredibly life-changing times. Some of our volunteers hadn't done a Mission of Mercy and hadn't seen before the extent of the need for better access to care."

At discharge, patients met with volunteers to discuss follow-up care. Each patient received information for contacting two clinics where they could receive continued care. Some CURE volunteers also called patients in the weeks that followed to see if they'd followed the after-care instructions that had been given to them.

Patients brought the volunteer clinicians innumerable challenges, but also gratitude for providing the care that eluded them for so long. One woman who waited for care Friday returned to the clinic as a volunteer Saturday; another patient ran to a nearby drug store and returned with a thank you card for her hygienist.


"A lot of the patients were the working poor, living check to check. Think about their experience with oral health: they received care that would have cost them thousands of dollars in a private office, and they just don't have it," Dr. Sullivan said.

Find more information about the local event hosts at www.curenetwork.org. Additional photos are posted online at the CDS Facebook page, www.facebook.com/ChicagoDentalSociety. ■

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In Other Words by Mary M. Byers, CAE

Read Mary Byers' online column, The Front Desk, at www.cds.org.

The art of the graceful exit

I wrote my first column for the *CDS Review* in September 1999. I hadn't set out to become a columnist but when then-editor Roger Scholle called and asked if I'd consider the post, I couldn't turn him down. Roger was the first dental editor I worked with, and he taught me everything I know about pulling together a publication. I've since used those skills for three different dental periodicals and now teaching at Dental Editors University. I remember him fondly.

In one of my earliest dental meetings, I remember Howard Stone of Decatur making an impassioned plea on behalf of the dental patients in Illinois. It was during a debate over the topic of mandatory continuing education that he said, "If barbers and nail technicians have continuing education requirements, then so should we! We owe it to our patients." I'm paraphrasing, but I remember being struck by the overall commitment to patients. I've never seen that commitment waiver, even when it means putting patient needs above the profession's. I remember thinking at the time, "THIS is a profession I want to serve." I haven't changed my mind.

Though you'll no longer see me in the pages of the *CDS Review*, I'll still be around. I look forward to seeing you at meetings and continuing to facilitate the debates and discussions that are so necessary to keeping dentistry the caring profession it is. As I sign off, a special thanks to Walter Lamacki, CDS editor, whom I've been privileged to work with on a number of projects; and to CDS staffers Will

Conkis, Tom Long, Joanna Brown and Rachel Azark, all of whom have been wonderfully supportive and fun to interface with.

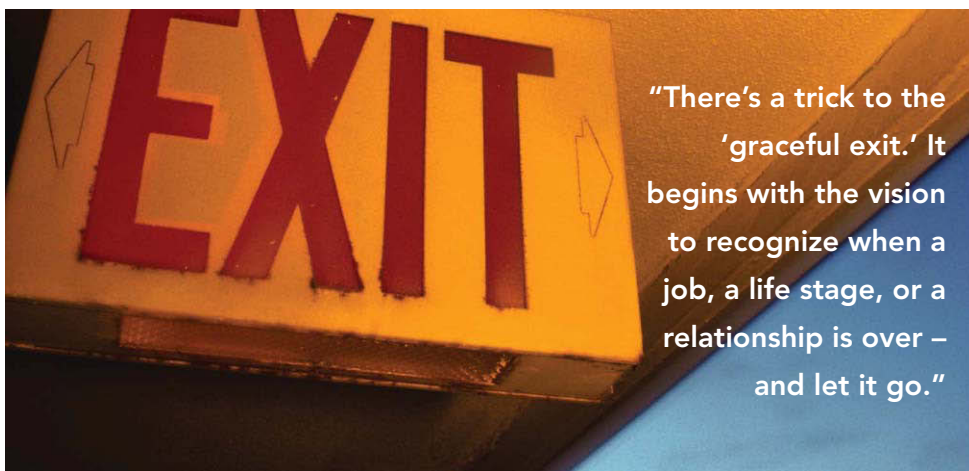
Years ago I read a quote by Ellen Goodman that seems appropriate here. She penned, "There's a trick to the 'graceful exit.' It begins with the vision to recognize when a job, a life stage, or a relationship is over – and let it go. It means leaving what's over without denying its validity or its past importance to our lives. It involves a sense of future, a belief that every exit line is an entry, that we are moving up, rather than out."

Though I'm not moving up – just over – I'm not denying the validity and importance this opportunity has provided me. It has helped shape me. In meeting these 78 deadlines, I pray I've contributed in some small way. ■

The views expressed in this column are those of the writer and not necessarily the opinions of the Chicago Dental Society.

Do you have a question you would like the *CDS Review* columnists to address? Send it to review@cds.org.

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"There's a trick to the 'graceful exit.' It begins with the vision to recognize when a job, a life stage, or a relationship is over – and let it go."

Since 1999, I have written 78 columns for the *CDS Review*. I've appreciated the discipline of writing on deadline, the challenge of looking for new ideas, and the task of seeing things from the readers' point of view in hopes of penning words that challenge and suggest change. I don't think I'm exaggerating when I say that this experience helped prepare me for the task of writing a book. My first came out in 2005; my seventh will be published next year. And that, more than anything, is why I'm hanging up my spurs as a columnist for CDS.

My previous job as director of communications for the Illinois State Dental Society is one of the best things that happened to me and is what started me down this path. I worked with colleagues I admired and respected and made lifelong friends. I'm grateful to Robert Rechner for hiring me and teaching me the ins and outs of organized dentistry; I couldn't have asked for a better tutor. When I left that post in 1998, I assumed I would no longer be affiliated with organized dentistry in any way. Happily, I was wrong. Since then I've worked with more than a dozen dental societies in various capacities, and I'm pleased to continue my affiliation with the profession.



From the Ground Up by George Zehak, DDS

A column about the CDS Foundation. For more information, visit www.chicagodentalsocietyfoundation.org.

With your support, we do vital work

This is my last report to you as chair of the CDS Foundation. Over the past year, I have thoroughly enjoyed writing this column and will sincerely miss it. It has been a privilege and honor to write to my dental “family” – you, the Chicago Dental Society members. We have been through difficult and fantastic times together, and we always survive and succeed with sincere passion and tireless energy and effort!

The CDS Foundation will continue in great hands. Mildred (Milly) Goldstein will assume the position of chair Jan. 1. She brings a wealth of knowledge and ability from her career with the Harry J. Bosworth Company; equally important, she cares about the CDS Foundation greatly. She is looking forward to the support of our fine CDS and CDSF boards, officers and members. With your efforts and your support, the CDS Foundation is becoming one of the best dental foundations in our country.

We had a fantastic number of accomplishments this year.

Among them, we are proud to announce that we are supporting the following dental programs:

- The ARK
- The Children’s Clinic of Oak Park
- Community Nurse Health Association
- CommunityHealth
- The Core Foundation
- The CURE Network
- Dental Lifeline Network – Dental HouseCalls Program
- Dental Lifeline Network – Donated Dental Services
- Easter Seals Metropolitan Chicago
- Erie Family Health Center
- Heartland International Health Center
- Illinois State Dental Society Mission of Mercy 2012
- Northwest Community Hospital Foundation
- Oral Health America – Chicago Smiles Across America
- St. Bernard Hospital and Health Care Center

But there is so much more need and so much more that needs to be done. You may feel that you can not afford to support our CDS Foundation’s fundraising goal; actually, you can not afford not to support that goal.

We must help resolve the access to care problem. I ask for your help to ensure oral healthcare is accessible in our communities, today and for future generations.

The CDS Foundation remains committed to the goal of raising \$100 from every CDS member. Your support makes that possible.



Photos by Brian Lee

Thanks to events like our Wine Tasting Benefit this past October, we are able to support access to care programs throughout our communities.

As a committed member of our profession and future officer of our beloved CDS, I ask that you join me today in making a gift to support the Chicago Dental Society Foundation. Likewise, we must support the ISDS Foundation and its important work in access to care in the rest of the state. We are both doing vital work to address access to care problems. With your support we can ensure the quality of dental care that is needed by all patients. Let Illinois become a model that other states will follow!

In conclusion, I have appreciated the privilege to chair the CDS Foundation and to work with its dedicated board and all of you.

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It's the Law by John M. Green, DDS, JD

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Test your dento-legal knowledge



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Normally in this column, I address one legal issue facing the profession. Many times our conversation examines ways to avoid legal actions and how to best be prepared if you are forced to defend yourself against an allegation made in court.

But since it's the school season, let's test your knowledge about risk management issues. Each question addresses an important topic that the dental profession must be prepared to handle. I suggest keeping the questions and answers in your office as a quick reference guide. But always consult your attorney for legal advice or when a situation arises that may require legal assistance.

1. How long should you keep a patient's (age 18 and older) records?

- a) 5 years
- b) 7 years
- c) 10 years
- d) Forever

2. Oral cancer screenings should be done:

- a) At recall visits and recorded;
- b) On all patients, as oral cancer occurs in many who do not have typical risk factors such as alcohol and tobacco use
- c) Because they save lives
- d) All of the above

3. You have just placed a Zirconia crown on Tooth #9, but the patient says it is "too light." The best thing to do is:

- a) Refund the money
- b) Convince her that she looks good with whiter teeth
- c) Redo the crown at no additional fee
- d) Dismiss her from your practice

4. Refunding money to a patient:

- a) Is an admission of liability – never do it
- b) Is not an admission of liability and may be appropriate in certain cases
- c) Should only be done if a patient signs a release
- d) Is never advisable, as it puts the dentist at risk for a lawsuit

5. Obtaining a patient's informed consent prior to dental implant surgery for Tooth #19:

- a) Does not require the patient to sign a written consent form, as such documents do not stand up in court
- b) Merely requires that a patient sign a written consent form
- c) Should be done by a dental assistant who explains the risks of the procedure
- d) Is a verbal process that should be memorialized in a written consent form to be signed by the patient

6. You have just extracted Mrs. Jones' impacted Tooth #17. She calls your office the next morning complaining of severe pain and swelling. It is best that you do the following:

- a) Have your office staff instruct her to continue taking pain medications and rinse with warm salt water
- b) Tell her to "tough it out," as swelling and pain are normal sequelae
- c) See her immediately to evaluate her condition
- d) Refer her to an oral surgeon

7. During your attempt to recement a gold inlay on Tooth #2, Mr. Moller swallows the inlay. Proper dental protocol requires you to:

- a) Instruct the patient to check his stool on a daily basis and advise you if he finds it
- b) Do nothing, as he probably swallowed it and it will pass normally
- c) Send the patient to the hospital for a chest X-ray
- d) Tell him that you have malpractice insurance and it will pay for this mishap

8. A new patient comes to you with severe Type IV periodontal disease throughout her mouth. You should:

- a) Advise the patient to sue her previous dentist
- b) Not tell her about her periodontal condition, as it will only upset her and put the previous dentist at risk for a lawsuit
- c) Call the previous dentist and question him as to why it wasn't discovered earlier
- d) Inform the patient of her periodontal condition, ask her permission to obtain the X-rays from her previous dentist, and develop a treatment plan to treat her condition, including a referral to a periodontist

9. You receive a letter from Ms. Payne's attorney accusing you of negligence for failing to recognize and treat a failing root canal on Tooth #31 that resulted in her hospitalization. It is best that you:

- a) Call the attorney and defend your treatment
- b) Write a letter to the patient explaining that you did nothing wrong but are willing to settle
- c) Contact your dental malpractice insurance company so that they can assign an attorney to represent you
- d) Do nothing

10. Which best documents your treatment of a large carious lesion on the distal of Tooth #29?

- a) DO composite
- b) DO composite #29 – probable root canal
- c) Placed large DO composite on Tooth #29 after excavation of deep carious lesion under local anesthetic
- d) Removed large distal caries on Tooth #29 – no pulpal exposure. Placed Dycal liner and Fuji cement buildup. Placed DO composite (Herculite) with rubber dam with 2 carpules of xylocaine with 1:100,000 epinephrine. Advised patient of possible future root canal if symptomatic

11. The reason(s) for most lawsuits against dentists/dental specialists is (are):

- a) Poor communication
- b) Poor follow-up care
- c) Poor documentation
- d) All of the above

12. Taking a medical history prior to initiating dental treatment:

- a) Is not necessary, as a patient's medical condition rarely impacts dental treatment
- b) Is essential to providing proper dental treatment, as certain medical conditions/medications can impact dental care
- c) Should be updated periodically
- d) Both b and c

Quiz answers

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| 1) c | 5) d | 9) c |
| 2) d | 6) c | 10) d |
| 3) c | 7) c | 11) d |
| 4) b | 8) d | 12) d |

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.

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Going Local

a look at what's happening in our community

UIC's Dr. Alapati receives NIH grant to study stem cell therapeutics

University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry assistant professor of Endodontics Satish Alapati, who earned his Certificate in Endodontics from the college in June, recently received a \$680,000 grant from the National Institute of Health's (NIH) National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR). The grant will fund Dr. Alapati's research on stem cell-based therapeutics in endodontics, which aims to revolutionize root canal treatment by incorporating regenerative components into root canal therapy.



Satish Alapati

"I want to discover a way to get stem cells from dental tissues and regenerate the diseased tooth structures to their natural anatomy" Dr. Alapati said. "This will allow whole root structures to grow to completion, thereby preventing loss of tooth."

Dr. Alapati hopes through his research to save young diseased teeth so that people will be able to retain their natural teeth for a longer period of time.

"It is a new frontier and cutting-edge science that combines both tissue engineering and stem cell biology concepts to regenerate the pulp-dentin complex for prompt healing, repair, and continual development of the tooth," he said.

Two local women named to DPR Top 25

Chicago Dental Society member Sheri Doniger was recently named one of the Top 25 Women in Dentistry by *Dental Products Report (DPR)*.

In this, the award's second year, DPR received more than 300 nominations for women in five categories: dentists, team members, dental lab, research and education and industry. Winners were cho-

UIC student wins Volpe Prize

Sangeetha Chandrasekaran, a Periodontics resident at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry, has won the Volpe Prize, a \$3,500 award presented for the best clinical research in periodontology by students in dentistry. The competition is sponsored by The Ohio State University and the Colgate-Palmolive Co., and is named for Dr. Anthony Volpe, who is responsible for Colgate's worldwide clinical research program.

The competition accepts one abstract from each dental school in Canada, Mexico and the United States. A panel of five judges reviews the abstracts, and 12 finalists are selected to make a 15-minute presentation, which is followed by a 10-minute question-and-answer session in Columbus, OH.

Dr. Chandrasekaran presented research on periodontitis and resultant inflammation.

"Periodontitis can lead to destruction of connective tissue attachment to the tooth, resorption of alveolar bone, and ultimately tooth loss," explained Dr. Chandrasekaran. "One of the goals of periodontal treatment is to regenerate this lost tissue, and several clinical strategies have been tried to achieve this. But the current modalities are largely unpredictable. My research is focused on using dentin matrix protein (DMP1) to stimulate the stem cells in the periodontal ligament."

Through her research, Dr. Chandrasekaran concluded that stimulation by DMP1 triggers morphological changes and differential regulation of osteoblast-specific genes, which may be valuable as a regenerative approach.



Anthony Volpe and Sangeetha Chandrasekaran pictured with Thomas Hart (right), Head, Department of Periodontics



Sheri Doniger

sen based on the number of people who nominated them, the quality of those nominations, the ability to demonstrate a clear contribution to the dental community, and the diversity the nominee's story would bring to the category.

Dr. Doniger has a solo practice in Lincolnwood, while also managing her community activities. She is vice president of the Niles Township High School District 219 Board of Education and a member of the Lincolnwood Police and Fire Commission.

Within dentistry, Dr. Doniger is editor of *The Chronicle*, the online newsletter of the American Association of Women Dentists, and a columnist for drbicuspid.com. She also serves on CDS's Special Events Committee.

Among DPR's industry honorees is Milly Goldstein, president of Harry J. Bosworth Company, a Skokie-based manufacturer of dental materials. Ms. Goldstein is also vice chair of the Chicago Dental Society Foundation; she will serve as chair in 2012.

Ms. Goldstein started working with Bosworth as an administrative assistant, and has experience in every department at the 100-year-old, family-owned company.

UIC honors Dr. Chang with Jon Daniel Teaching Award

Priscilla Chang, clinical assistant professor, Department of Restorative Dentistry, and an alumna of the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) College of Dentistry, has been awarded the 2011 Jon Daniel Teaching Award. The award was established in 2010 in memory of longtime Oral Biology faculty member Dr. Jon



Priscilla Chang

Daniel, to honor instructors who have made exemplary contributions to the learning of UIC dental students.

“I am extremely honored and flattered that the students and faculty chose me,” Dr. Chang said. “But what makes this award even more meaningful to me is that Jon Daniel taught me when I was a dental student. He was so smart, sharp and inspirational, and was an amazing presenter. I hope that I can live up to such a prestigious honor.”

Since joining the UIC faculty in 2007, Dr. Chang has demonstrated the qualities cited in the award: “engage students’ interest, curiosity, and motivation to learn; challenge students to achieve breadth and depth in their understanding, and excellence in their skills; support students in their learning by fostering clarity, meaningfulness, and confidence; and respond to student needs in ways that keep learning at the center of the educational enterprise.”

“Dr. Chang is known to students as a knowledgeable, enthusiastic, and reassuring presence in the classroom and in pre-patient care activities,” said Charlotte Briggs, Director of the Office of Dental Education. “She has gone above and beyond her normal teaching duties to develop professional quality videos to help students learn dental procedures, and has conducted research on the effectiveness of video as a teaching tool.”

“I feel very lucky to teach UIC College of Dentistry students because they all start school self-motivated, curious, and eager to learn new skills,” Dr. Chang explained.

“They already come into the course excited to learn, which makes me excited to teach, and this energy builds as we

Spooky Zoo volunteers teach importance of good oral health



Photos by Brian Lee



Saturday, Oct. 22, Lincoln Park Zoo hosted its annual Spooky Zoo Spectacular. Chicago children came to the zoo for some safe Halloween fun. The Chicago Dental Society partnered with Procter and Gamble once again to offer toothbrushes and toothpaste to the children passing by with a friendly reminder to brush their teeth after eating all that candy. Pre-dental students from the Illinois Institute of Technology and dental students from local universities came out in their costumes to help CDS distribute the goodies.

learn about comprehensive care and restorative dentistry. Huddles, small group discussion, and making sure to spend one-on-one time with each student in clinic and laboratory helps me understand how each student learns.

I can then adapt my teaching methods to each student’s learning style.”

On hand for the award presentation were Dr. Daniel’s widow, Jayne Daniel, and their daughter, Lauren Daniel. ■

Your Health

a discussion on health-related topics

Laughter as medicine

Photo of comedian John Pinette at the 2011 Midwinter Meeting by John McNulty

by Joanna Brown

Ever heard that laughter is the best medicine? Science is backing up that claim, testing the effect of laughter as treatment for various illnesses.

Laughter might be good medicine for Alzheimer's patients

Exposing patients with Alzheimer's disease to humor therapy appears as effective as psychiatric drugs in reducing the agitation that often plagues those struggling with dementia, new Australian research suggests.

In a three-month period, 399 nursing home residents of 35 facilities who actively participated in a weekly two-hour clowning session involving music, mime and humorous props showed a significant reduction in both physically and verbally aggressive behavior.

What's more, the 20 percent plunge in overall agitation, which the team attributed to humor therapy, lasted for at least 14 weeks beyond the conclusion of the clowning program, the investigation team found.

"Normally, nursing homes are a little like being stuck on a bad cruise where you can't get off," said study co-author Jean-Paul Bell, creative director at the Arts Health Institute in Avalon Beach, New South Wales, and co-founder of the Australia-wide hospital-based

"Clown Doctor" program. "You are getting the creature comforts but no stimulating conversation or playful contact."

Mr. Bell and his colleagues sought to implement what he called a "person-centered" therapeutic approach, coupling visual sight-gags – such as mimicking a conversation through two tin cans – alongside provocative and irreverent verbal humor to encourage active patient participation and reactions. To a large degree, the sessions relied on humorous improvisation skills, similar to those used by "clown doctors" performing for sick children. The goal: to lift the mood of the patients, while engaging them in both conversation and physical interaction.

The result: "The humor intervention worked well for pretty much everyone," Mr. Bell noted, particularly for the patients deemed most debilitated by dementia. As an added bonus, the impact was achieved without running any of the risk for serious side effects, including falling and premature death, that have been previously associated with prescription antipsychotic drugs.

Mr. Bell and Australian colleagues recently presented the findings at the National Dementia Research Forum, in Sydney.

While humor therapy did not appear to affect mood or quality of life, it had a

clinically significant impact on patient agitation, on par with what might be expected following the administration of standard antipsychotic medications.

The team suggested that humor therapy should become a first-line treatment choice for dementia patients who exhibit agitation.

Sam Fazio, Chicago-based director of medical and scientific relations at the Alzheimer's Association, described the study as both well done and important.

"I think that the point about it being a good alternative to pharmacological treatment is really something to consider," Mr. Fazio said. "We need more of this type of research to show that there are other ways to work with people than simply medication."

What is therapeutic humor?

Therapeutic humor is any intervention that promotes health and wellness by stimulating a playful discovery, expression or appreciation of the absurdity or incongruity of life's situations, reports California-based recreational therapist Roberta Gold. She has served on the Board of Directors for the Association of Applied and Therapeutic Humor (www.aath.org) and has consulted for several California hospitals for more than two decades.

The therapeutic interventions she

promotes may enhance work performance, support learning, improve health, or be used as a complementary treatment to facilitate healing or coping, whether physical, emotional, cognitive, social or spiritual.

How? Ms. Gold recommends sharing funny stories with family and friends; look for the humor around you and laugh out loud. At work, keep a Humor Section of your desk where you have funny cartoons and small toys that invoke laughter when you see them, without being offensive to others. Humor is an easy way to unite people and build morale.

The American Cancer Society (ACS), too, promotes the healing power of humor therapy as a complementary method for promoting good health and coping with illness ([www.cancer.org/Treatment/TreatmentsandSideEffects/ComplementaryandAlternativeMedicine/MindBodyandSpirit/h](http://www.cancer.org/Treatment/TreatmentsandSideEffects/ComplementaryandAlternativeMedicine/MindBodyandSpirit/humor-therapy)

[umor-therapy](#)). Humor reduces stress and improves the quality of life by stimulating the immune and circulatory systems, among others.

ACS cites the use of humor for health benefit in the Bible's Book of Proverbs, and reports that some surgeons as early as the 13th century used humor to dis-

As an added bonus, the impact was achieved without running any of the risk for serious side effects, including falling and premature death.

tract patients from pain.

The physical effects of laughter include increased breathing and oxygen use, short-term changes in hormones and certain neurotransmitters, and increased heart rate. Some hospitals and treatment centers have even set up special rooms with humorous games, books, movies and puzzles for the purpose of making people laugh. Many hospitals use volunteers who visit patients for the purpose of making them laugh.

Some cancer treatment centers offer humor therapy in addition to standard treatments.

Consider these words from actor Kirk Douglas, who had a stroke in 1996. In a 2007 interview with *Medline Plus* ([www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/magazine/issues/summer07/articles/summer07pg8-](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/magazine/issues/summer07/articles/summer07pg8-9.html)

[9.html](#)), the publication of the National Institutes of Health and the Friends of the Library of Medicine:

"The most difficult thing about a stroke is the depression. . . . The antidote to depression is humor and thinking of others. When I could barely speak, I made up a joke: 'What does an actor do when he can't talk? He waits for silent pictures to come back!'" ■

Ms. Brown is the CDS senior writer.



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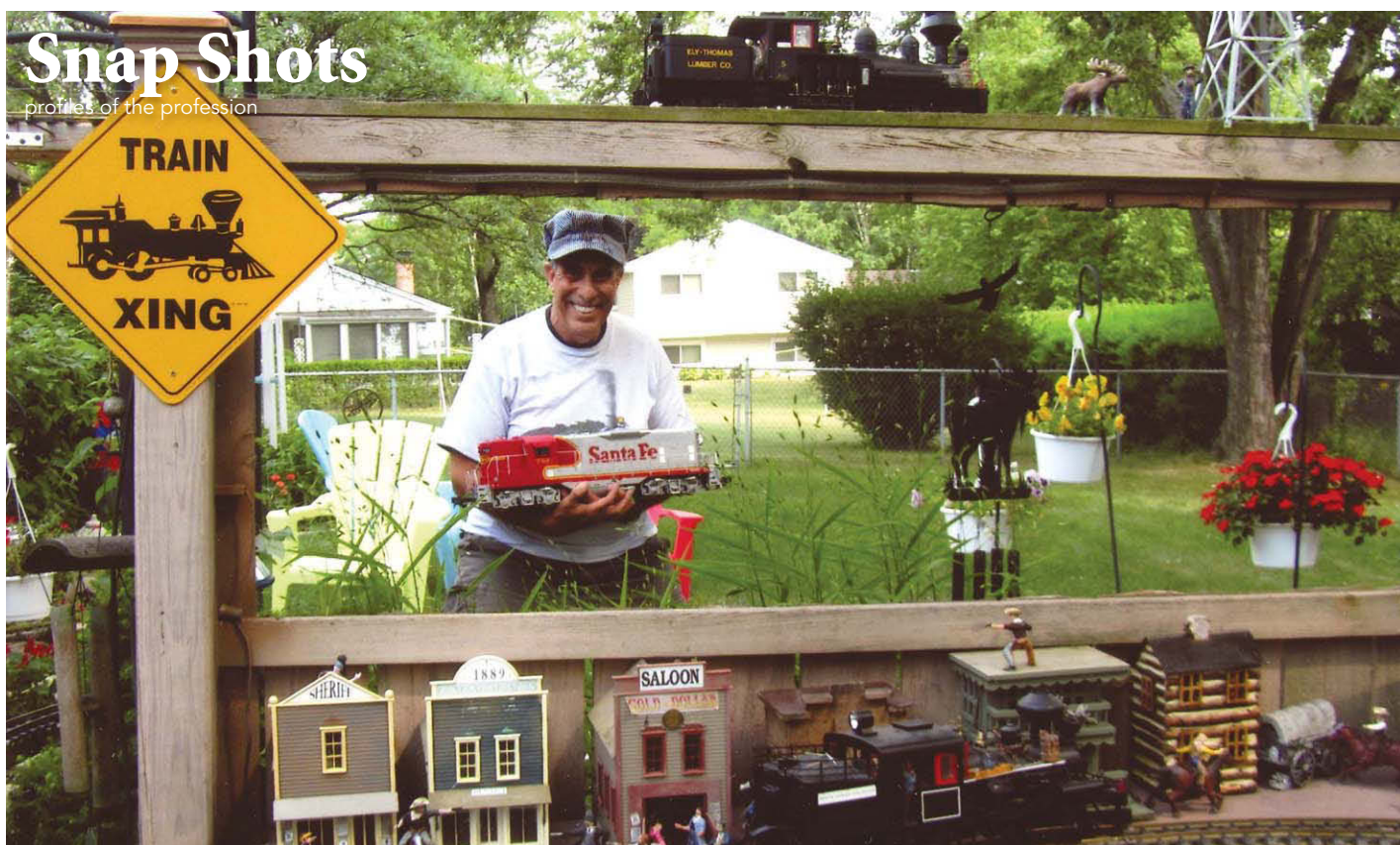
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All aboard!

by Rachel Azark

When Irwin Mishoulam was only 7 years old, his father took him to a dime store to buy a model airplane. Side by side, they put the model together. Several weeks later, after saving his allowance, Dr. Mishoulam went back to the store and bought another model to put together by himself. And thus started his life long love of building models.

Today, if you go to visit Dr. Mishoulam’s dental office, you’ll find model airplanes hanging from the ceiling and 12 feet of G scale (outdoor garden railway) trains running around on a table, complete with a sound system playing train noises. Patients – especially the kids – love coming to Dr. Mishoulam’s Buffalo Grove office to play with the trains.

His love for trains extends back to his childhood and early visits with his mother to the Marshall Field’s toy department to see the trains whir by on the tracks. It was Dr. Mishoulam’s cousin, though, that really peaked his interest because of his love for model trains.

“My cousin was about four or five years older than me, and he got a model train and I just

became interested in it,” said Dr. Mishoulam. “I’ve always been interested in working with my hands. It’s a perfect hobby for me.”

Dr. Mishoulam, a 1975 graduate of the Loyola University School of Dentistry, started with an HO scale train set, which is the most popular. He then moved up to an O scale Lionel train set. He now works with G scale, which is three to four times larger than the Lionel.

The G scale set has grown so big that there are now 300 feet of track in Dr. Mishoulam’s backyard and six trains chugging along

The Winter Wonderland Express is departing

If you are interested in visiting the Chicago Botanic Garden this year to see the Winter Wonderland Express, Dr. Mishoulam advises that tickets sell out quickly for the event, especially when the kids get out of school for winter break. The exhibit runs through Jan. 1.

For more information, please visit www.chicagobotanic.org/wonderland.



on the tracks. He calls his set up the Buffalo Creek Railroad.

“Most of my trains are steam engines that run through the Wild West. I have a coal mine, saw mills, a Wild West town where I depict characters from the Wild West,” said Dr. Mishoulam. “I have the famous Doc Holiday, Annie Oakley, Kit Carson and Davy Crockett.”

Dr. Mishoulam devotes about 10 hours a week to working on his backyard display. In the winter, he brings everything except the brass tracks inside and refurbishes the display by regluing pieces and repainting. However, for the past 10 years for four to five hours every week Dr. Mishoulam has been volunteering at the Chicago Botanic Garden’s outdoor railroad.

“[Volunteers] set the trains up in the morning, clean the track, clean the locomotives and oil them, and take care of any problems that occur.

‘I’ve always been interested in working with my hands. It’s a perfect hobby for me.’

“For the first seven years I was the youngest volunteer in the railroad. I was one of the few that weren’t retired. So they would have me go in the water and pull trains out of the pond and climb behind bushes because I was the youngest, even though I was in my mid-50s,” said Dr. Mishoulam.

The display in the outdoor train exhibit includes buildings throughout the United States, different cities and National Parks. Some of the attractions included in the exhibit are the exploding Mount St. Helen’s volcano, Old Faithful shooting a

water geyser, and Wrigley Field with Harry Carey singing “Take Me out to the Ball Game.” This past summer they put in a new Golden Gate Bridge and the year before that they put in real redwood trees that are now about 12 feet high.

For the past five years during the winter, the Chicago Botanic Garden has featured an indoor exhibit called the Winter Wonderland Express. “They have an indoor one they run around the holiday time. This will be my fifth year doing that,” said Dr. Mishoulam. “The buildings are all Chicago buildings in the winter.”

Dr. Mishoulam enjoys sharing his love of trains with others. This past July he invited some of his patients who had enjoyed the Botanic Garden railway to come see his home display.

“A lot of the kids go to the Botanic Garden, and I tell them I have one in my backyard and they say they’d love to come see it,” said Dr. Mishoulam.

Perhaps he’ll find that he sparked a child’s interest in trains just as the Marshall Field’s toy department and his cousin did for him so many years ago. ■

Ms. Azark is the CDS editorial assistant.

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Looking Back

a historical perspective

Earl Renfroe: Pioneer, Renaissance man

by Walter F. Lamacki, DDS

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Earl Wiley Renfroe

One need not jump into burning buildings to save a life or serve in combat to be considered a hero; a lifetime of service to humanity is another pathway.

Earl Wiley Renfroe was born Jan. 9, 1907, in Chicago. Dr. Renfroe was educated in the Chicago Public Schools; he entered James H. Bowen high school in 1921, where he joined the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC). His early military experience led him to a lifetime of service in the United States Army.

In his senior year, he was chosen cadet commander in the ROTC, the first African American at the school to achieve that rank. His life was a series of firsts.

Dr. Renfroe graduated from the University of Illinois at

Chicago College of Dentistry (UIC) in 1931 first in his class. He entered UIC's newly founded orthodontic program headed by Allan Brodie, who was a pupil of Edward Angle, considered by many as the father of modern day orthodontics. Dr. Renfroe joined the orthodontic faculty in 1933.

Dr. Renfroe was a lanky man who carried himself with a great amount of dignity. That persona stood him well when he helped end the long-standing practice at UIC that mandated dental students be of the same race as the patients they were treating.

In 1932, Dr. Renfroe joined the Illinois National Guard. (He earned the rank of general in 1984.) In 1934 he obtained a commercial pilot's license, the first African American to do so in Illinois. In 1942 he earned a Master of Science degree in orthodontics; again, he was the first African American in Chicago to become an orthodontist. He opened an office in the Loop in 1950; he was not only the first African American orthodontist he was the first African American professional of any kind to practice in the prestigious area.

Dr. Renfroe was a Renaissance man pursuing interests in amateur radio, aviation, marksmanship, scuba diving and model railroading.

During World War II, he served as chief dental officer at Ft. Huachuca, AZ. He remained a reserve officer, retiring in 1968 at the rank of colonel.

In 1957, Dr. Renfro collaborated with Thomas Barber, DDS, MS, and former head of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at UIC on an article printed in the *Journal of the American Dental Association*, "Interceptive Orthodontics for the General Practitioner." The article was ground breaking, reprinted many times in other national publications and in many languages worldwide. His book, *Technique Training in Orthodontics*, was published in 1960.

He began lecturing in Brazil in the 1950s, studying Portuguese to better communicate with his students. He made more than 30 trips to Barbados to teach. A dental clinic named for him still stands there today.

In 1966, he succeeded Dr. Brodie as head of the Department of Orthodontics, another first for an African-American.

Dr. Renfroe was an active member of dozens of civic organizations and was listed in several editions of *Who's Who*.

Dr. Renfroe died Nov. 14, 2000, a month and a day after the death of his beloved wife, Hilda. He is buried at Arlington National Cemetery as the hero he was. ■

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Dental Dateline

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

All I want for Christmas. . .

There are so many ways to know the holiday season is upon us: there's the chill in the air, the warm smell of cinnamon in the kitchen, and the warmer feeling of a social calendar filled by friends and family.

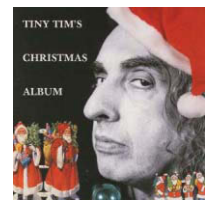
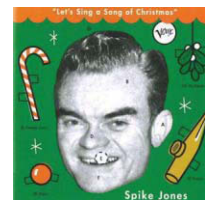
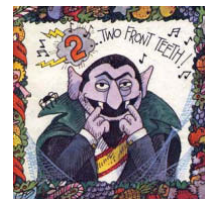
And undoubtedly, there is someone in your dentist's office whistling "All I Want for Christmas is my Two Front Teeth." This novelty song was written in 30 minutes by a Smithtown, NY, music teacher named Donald Gardner in 1944, who asked his second-grade students about their holiday wish lists. Almost all of them were missing at least one tooth.

The song was first recorded four years later, and reached the top of the pop charts in 1949. It's been re-recorded several times since, by stars like George Strait, Nat King Cole, Danny Kaye, The Andrews Sisters, Spike Jones, Tiny Tim and Sesame Street's Count von Count.

The next time you hear someone whistling this tune, impress them with your knowledge of teeth using these fun facts:

- Everyone knows your fingerprint is unique, but did you know your teeth are unique, too? Even identical twins have different teeth.
- Right handed people chew more with the right side of their mouths, and left handed people chew more with the left side.
- George Washington's teeth were not wooden. Our first president started losing his teeth in his 20s, and had only one left when he became president. He had several sets of false teeth, made from hippopotamus and elephant ivory, as well as teeth from various animals.
- Animals of all sizes have teeth. Snails have rows of teeth – sometimes thousands of teeth – on their tongues. As the teeth are worn down, new ones pop up to replace them.
- In contrast, mammals will only get two sets of teeth in their life: 20 primary teeth (also called milk teeth) and 32 permanent teeth.
- Tooth enamel, which covers the outside of your teeth, is the hardest tissue in the human body.
- Your teeth began to develop long before you were born – only six weeks into your mother's 40-week pregnancy.
- The phrase "long in the tooth" is based on the development of a horse's mouth. As a horse ages, its gums recede, giving the impression that its teeth are growing in length. The longer the teeth look, the older the horse. ■

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Upcoming meetings

DECEMBER

6: Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Guy Bibbs, DDS, and Lona Bibbs, DDS: Current Topics in Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry. Maggiano's Little Italy, 101 W. Grand Ave., Chicago. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. For information, contact Jason Grinter, 773.783.9000 or jgrinter@gmail.com.

6: North Suburban Branch

Dennis Braunston: Implementing Digital Photography into Your Dental Practice. Green Acres Country Club, 916 Dundee Rd., Northbrook. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. For information, contact Ted Constantine, drconstantine@comcast.net or 847.272.6646.

11: Englewood Branch

Holiday Brunch. Edgewood Valley Country Club, 7500 Gilbert Rd., LaGrange. Cocktails: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. For information, contact Bill Hajiharis, info@khwporsurgery.com or 708.429.4770.

13: West Side Branch

Robert Lowe, DDS: What's New in Direct Composites (Staff Appreciation Night). Barclay's American Grille at The Carleton of Oak Park, 1110 Pleasant St., Oak Park. Cocktails: 6:15 p.m.; Dinner and Program: 7 p.m. For information, contact Frank Orland, 708.447.2100 or frorlanddds@yahoo.com.

13: Arcolian Dental Arts Society

Annual Christmas Party. Park Ridge Country Club, 636 N. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner: 7:30 p.m.; Program: 8:30 p.m. For information, contact Chuck Martello, 815.469.9119.

JANUARY**9: West Side Branch**

Michael Schmerman, DDS: Errors of Omission and Commission: Pitfalls and Pratfalls of Dentistry. Barclay's American Grille at The Carleton of Oak Park, 1110 Pleasant St., Oak Park. Cocktails: 6:15 p.m.; Dinner and Program: 7 p.m. For information, contact Frank Orland, 708.447.2100 or frorlanddds@yahoo.com.

10: Englewood Branch

Speaker TBA: Computer-guided Dentistry. Francesca's Vicinato, 12960 S. LaGrange Rd., Palos Park. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner and Program: 7 p.m. For information, contact Bill Hajj-haris, 708.429.4770 or info@khwporalsurgery.com.

10: North Side Branch

Mark Zukowski, MD: Current Trends in Plastic Surgery. Via Veneto, 6340 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. For information, contact Lindsey Krecko, 516.428.0458 or ljkdds@gmail.com.

10: North Suburban Branch

James Fondriest, DDS, FICD, FACD: Cosmetic Treatment Planning on the North Shore: Not a Solo Act. Green Acres Country Club, 916 Dundee Rd., Northbrook. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. For information, contact Ted Constantine, drconstantine@comcast.net or 847.272.6646.

10: Northwest Suburban Branch

Cynthia Charlier, DVM: Veterinary Dentistry. Old Orchard Country Club, 700 W. Rand Rd., Mount Prospect. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. For information, contact Scott Smoron, 847.255.2526 or scottsmoron@comcast.net.

10: South Suburban Branch

Speaker from Brasseler USA: The Endo Restorative Continuum. Balagio Restaurant, 17501 Dixie Hwy., Homewood. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. For information, contact Edward Ruiz, 708.997.1188 or edwardruizdds@yahoo.com.

10: West Suburban Branch

Wendy Pesavanto: Marketing and Transitions. Maggiano's Little Italy, 240 Oakbrook Center, Oak Brook. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner and Program: 7 p.m. For information, contact Dottie Mackie, 630.515.1414 or damr53@me.com.

24: Arcolian Dental Arts Society

Lou Imburgia, DDS: Reducing Your Dental Office Debt. Rosewood Restaurant, 9421 W. Higgins Rd., Rosemont. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner: 7:30 p.m.; Program: 8:30 p.m. For information, contact Chuck Martello, 815.469.9119.

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Branch News

news from the home front

Kenwood/Hyde Park

by Sherece Thompson, DDS

Two dentists and a wedding

Milton Davenport and Sherece Thompson attended the wedding of Milton's sister Camille to Sherece's cousin Andrew Elby Jr. June 18 in Park Forest.

Congratulations to **David Miller**, who was appointed by Governor Pat Quinn to the office of chief, Division of Oral Health, in the Illinois Department of Public Health. David served as State Representative of the 29th District, assistant majority leader, and former appropriation chair. He is a past president of the Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch, as well. We wish David success and best wishes on his new endeavor.

David also had the distinct pleasure of attending the White House Easter Egg Roll with his family. His sons, Daniel and Donovan, hunted for Easter eggs and hoola-hooped, while David greeted many familiar faces. Donna even received a kiss from President Barack Obama as he greeted guests.

Rodney Blaney attended the Southern Illinois University Class of 1986 Silver Reunion Sept. 30.

Ozzie Smith was married to Jequeatta May 14 at the Ringling Mansion and Museum in Sarasota, FL. Ozzie is a cos-

President Profile

Carlos Diaz-Albertini, DDS | ENGLEWOOD



The Diaz-Albertini family: Lauren, Lisa, Carlos and Alexis.

Education: Carlos Diaz-Albertini earned his dental degree in 1990 from the Loyola University School of Dentistry. He earned his endodontics specialty degree from the Columbia University College of Dental Medicine.

Family and Practice: Dr. Diaz-Albertini and his wife, Lisa, have two daughters: Lauren and Alexis. He practices in Palos Heights.

Outside of dentistry, my interests include: SCUBA diving, bicycling and driving cool cars.

My goal for the coming year is: to encourage more young dentists to become active at the branch level with the help of our motivated Englewood members.

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KENWOOD/HYDE PARK: (Top) The 1986 graduating class of the Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine celebrated its 25th reunion. (Left) David Miller and his family enjoyed the White House Easter Egg Roll this past spring. (Right) Sherece Thompson and Milton Davenport helped celebrate the wedding of Camille Davenport to Andrew Elby Jr.

metic dentist and his office is located in Hyde Park.

Our sincere condolences

Our branch has experienced a number of losses this year. It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the deaths of our loved ones. We extend our deepest sympathy and prayers of comfort to the families of each branch member.

Albert Jackson died Sept. 15. A memorial service was held Oct. 11 at First Presbyterian Church on Michigan Ave.

Albert was a 1959 graduate of the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry and an active branch member for many years.

Gussie Kimbrough, wife of past CDS president **Robert Kimbrough**, died at age 91 Sept. 24. She is survived by her husband. Robert also served as branch president (1984-85).

Sabina Malinowski, mother-in-law of **Sharon Lyn-Malinowski**, died July 7. Sharon has served as both branch president and branch director.

Fred Lambert, paternal grandfather of branch correspondent **Sherece Thompson**, died July 24. Anna Balark, Sherece's maternal grandmother, died June 9. Both grandparents were 86 years old and lived vibrant, healthy lives.

North Side

by Amy Van Fossen, DDS

Our first branch meeting of the season was a home run! *Chicago Sun-Times* senior sports columnist Rick Telander entertained the crowd with his insights on our local teams and stories of what it's like being a journalist in a major market city.

Paul Landman enjoyed visiting dental friends in Canada and Maryland this past summer. This fall he went to Las Vegas for his sister's birthday and continued on to Amelia Island for the American Society for Dental Aesthetics meeting.

Marvin Berman has been lecturing in various places: Syracuse, Austin and the ADA meeting in Las Vegas. Marv and his wife, Joyce, just celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary. Their grandson Jonah is starring in *Sweeney Todd* at the Drury Lane Theater.

Darren Pakravan opened an orthodontic office in Lakeview this June. Windy City Orthodontics is located at 2921 N. Lincoln Ave. He continues to teach part-time at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry, as well. Outside the office, he enjoyed a week-long trip riding motorcycles around the Olympic peninsula in Washington with his father, brother and uncles.

Steve Pearl has moved into a new office at 2727 W. Touhy Ave. in Chicago. Visit the office's website at www.pearlfamily-dentistry.com

William Simon, Gina Rotkvich and the entire team at City Smiles and Sonrisa Urbana welcome new associates **Lance Skinkys** and **Kinnery Patel**, both recent graduates of the Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center General Practice Residency Program, and **Greg Baluk** to the practices.

Jack Horbal and **Marianne Schaefer** participated in the FAA Mass Disaster Exercise at O'Hare Airport Sept. 17. Both Jack and Marianne serve with the Cook County Medical Examiners Disaster Response Team, as well as with the



NORTH SIDE: (L-R) Dan Uditsky, Harvey Mahler, Milt Salzer and Rick Telander.

National Disaster Medical System in the capacity of forensic odontologists.

Amy Roberts welcomed her second son Aug. 2. Baby Leo is happy and healthy. Congratulations, Amy!

North Suburban

by Nikisha Jodhan, DDS, and Ingrid Schroetter, DDS

Paul Akers, Mike Stohle and Gary Borden lucked out with the Chicago weather this fall for their Cruise & Learn seminar. On a balmy September evening, the *SS Chicago's First Lady* cruised the beautiful lakefront while participants were submerged in a Treatment Planning with CBOT lecture.

Paul was busy this summer winning first place in section one and fifth in fleet in the 103rd Chicago to Mackinac Race. This world class event is the longest fresh water race in the world, over 325 statute miles as the crow flies. Paul chartered and skippered the yacht *Goblin*, a 50-foot custom racing sloop. His crew of 13 raced through a severe summer storm that overshadowed this year's race.

Sharon Foertsch and Richard Cottrell attended the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry meeting in Puerto Rico in August. Prior to that, they attended the Alpha Omega meeting in March.

Mart McClellan was elected to the position of president-elect for the Illinois Society of Orthodontists for 2012-13. He also recently lectured to the Illini District Dental Society and at the OrthoVoice Conference in Las Vegas in October on practice management.

David McWhinnie has some news – he biked across Iowa in The Register's Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa this summer and brought his power paraglider.

Spiro Karras is proud to report that his daughter Maria began dental school at the University of Illinois at Chicago Aug. 15 and is part of the first DMD class. His younger daughter, Theresa, is currently a junior undergraduate student at UIC in the Dental GPPA program; she plans to start dental school at UIC in two years.

Charles Lockhart achieved board certification from the American Board of Dental Sleep Medicine. He is currently the clinical director at the Midwest Dental Sleep Center's Chicago location

Dave Simone was named chair of the Environmental Committee of the International Academy of Oral Medicine and Toxicology.

The documentary film in which Dave partook, *America the Beautiful 2*, was picked up by Warner Bros. for national release.

Dave presented at the United Nations Environment Programme-UNEP INC2-Global Mercury Treaty Negotiations in Chiba, Japan, in January, and at the INC3 in Nairobi, Kenya, in October.

You can also find Dave on *YouTube*, being interviewed by natural health physician Joseph Mercola. Search for "Simone, Mercury."

Jim Bertini and Pete Galdoni recently celebrated the 20th anniversary of their practice, Morton Grove Dental Associates. They write:

"We started out in a small strip mall office and after a few years we were able to purchase a building just one block away to accommodate our growth. We feel very fortunate to be in the profession and to be able to practice in such a wonderful community. We are particularly proud of our service to the children of Maryville and its affiliates, having provided them with more than \$300,000 of pro bono work over the years. We look forward to the next 20 years and are excited about the technological advances to come."

Peter Domagala will present a lecture to more than 250 specialists for the Spears Leadership Forum at the Scottsdale Center.

Mark Cannon of Associated Dental Specialists of Long Grove presented his research on a new light cured, resin-based MTA product to attendees of the 2011 Adhesion Symposium. In addition, Mark was the first dentist to ever present at the 2011 Annual Probiotic Symposium that was held in Alexandria, VA. The attendees included many highly respected physicians and microbiologists.

gists. Mark lectured on the new research showing modifications of the oral biofilm with probiotic supplementation.

Mark and the residents at Children's Memorial Hospital have just finished a large Institutional Review Board-approved clinical study on the effects of probiotics on *Streptococcus mutans* using CRT and DNA-PCR analysis.

Terry Fippinger, MaLu Simon, and Jason Glick are welcoming the return of **Emily Williams** to North Shore Dentistry for Children in Evanston. Emily is a board-certified pediatric dentist who is also certified in orthodontics. She is excited to return as an orthodontist and to continue her work with children.

Brad Weiss facilitated a study club with **Rich Green** in Vancouver, BC, Oct. 5-7 covering the technical focus on occlusion-learning through the use of a Tanner appliance.

Chad Freund's son Charlie celebrated his first birthday with family at Maggiano's.

Northwest Side

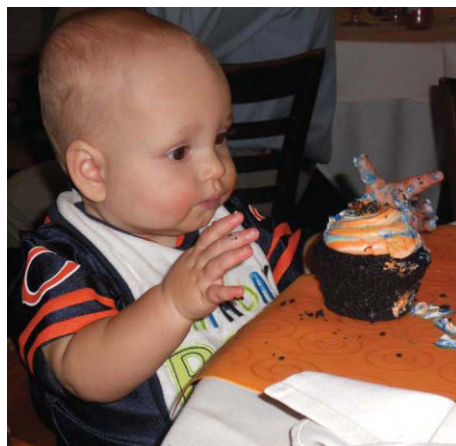
by Gordon Ziols, DDS

Steve Lindell saw his last dental patient this summer and attended the 50th reunion of his class at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry. He is really enjoying his retirement and we hope to see Steve at future branch events.

Patrick Fitzgerald and his wife, Lindsay, have a new addition to the family. She gave birth to a baby girl, Kennedy Blake, June 16. Kennedy was 7 pounds, 15 ounces, and perfectly healthy. She joins her 2-year-old sister, Kinsley.

Mark Spinazze and his wife, Liza, are the proud parents of twin boys named Sam and Rafael. The twins were born in September.

Several Northwest Side Branch members volunteered for Collaborative Under-served Relief and Education Network (CURE) health clinic, which was held in



NORTH SUBURBAN: (Top) The Executive Board under Astrid Schroetter had a ball at Prom Night May 14. (Seated) Ingrid Schroetter, Dorothy Anasinski, Marita Janzen, David Fulton Jr. and Astrid Schroetter. (Standing) Mark Jacobs, Nikisha Jodhan, Ben LoGiudice, Paul Kattner, Maria Fe Corpuz-Bato, John Vickery and Jim Benz. (Above left) Chad Freund's son Charlie celebrated his first birthday. (Above right) Dinner chair Kyint Chwa was assisted by his daughter at the October branch meeting. (Bottom) The trophy winners from the Suburban Scramble Golf Outing in May.



August at Malcolm X College. In total, volunteers from 20 states provided nearly 2,000 patients with free services during the three-day clinic. A very rewarding experience was had by all.

Our branch was well represented at the Illinois State Dental Society meeting in St. Louis. **Mike Biasiello, Spencer Bloom, Lou Imburgia** and **Sal Stornio** all attended the ISDS House of Delegates. In addition to the meeting, they also attended the Cardinals-Braves baseball game.

Mary Starsiak, Barb Mousel, Pat Hann and **Lou Imburgia** attended the ADA Annual Session in Las Vegas in October to serve as House delegates. All enjoyed the trip!

John Sisto attended the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons meeting in Philadelphia.

Associates for Oral Surgery hosted a seminar at Carlucci's Restaurant in Rosemont. The guest speaker was **Harold Crossley**, who presented a humorous and very informative lecture on understanding the pharmacology of drugs used in the dental office.

Gordon Ziols and three of his Loyola classmates (and spouses) took a hiking trip to Santa Fe, NM, in September, and enjoyed dining on southwestern cuisine.

Lou Imburgia and **Mike Biasiello** went to the BMW Championship at Cog Hill Golf and Country Club. Mike said there is nothing better than sitting in the pavilion and watching the approaching shots of the tournament pros.

Jim Stipak spends a lot of time in Lake Geneva and especially enjoys time spent with his four grandchildren.

The Northwest Side Branch welcomes new members **Priscilla Chang** and **Jeff Ruttencutter**. They recently opened a beautiful new dental office in Park Ridge.



NORTHWEST SIDE: (Above) Mike Biasiello and Lou Imburgia attended the BMW Championship at Cog Hill on the PGA Tour. (Left) Gordon Ziols, Spencer Bloom and Sal Stornio volunteered for the Collaborative Underserved Relief and Education Network (CURE) health clinic at Malcolm X College in Chicago in August. (Below) Gordon Ziols joined his Loyola classmates for a hiking trip in Santa Fe, NM, this past September.



Northwest Suburban

by Angie Willox, DDS

The Northwest Suburban Branch held its first meeting of the fall Oct. 18. Our meeting location for the coming year is the Old Orchard Country Club, and consensus seemed to be that all thoroughly enjoyed the meal and the change of venue. We enjoyed an informative presentation by Lex MacNeil, dean of the Midwestern University Dental School.

Vicky Ursitti and her office, All About Kids Dentistry, partnered for the second year with the Arlington Heights Park District to kick off summer with the Picnic in the Park. Time was spent interacting with the families, discussing oral hygiene and of course free raffles!

Vicky also attended the International Pediatric Convention in Greece in June. More recently, Vicky and her staff were honored with a second place win for the National Children's Dental Health Month contest through the Illinois State Dental Society, for which they were honored at a breakfast in September.

Congratulations to **Ahmed El-Maghraby**, who was married to Elizabeth over the summer. The wedding was in Egypt June 17. Congratulations to you both!

Jonathan Wong celebrated the opening of his new office, Renovo Endodontic Studio, at an open house Sept. 21. Jonathan welcomed guests to tour the beautiful clinic and enjoy some great food and drink. Best of luck to you!

Jennifer Silc is pleased to announce that she has recently purchased the periodontal practice of Henry Crossetti, and that the office will now be known as Silc Periodontics. Congratulations, Jennifer!

Michael Schroeder is pleased to announce the addition of both a periodontist and endodontist to his practice, Arlington Heights Dental Group.

Robert Busan graduated from Periodontics at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) College of Dentistry, and Steven Raphael, an endodontist, also completed his graduate training at UIC.



NORTHWEST SUBURBAN: (Top) Vicky Ursitti and her staff partnered with the Arlington Heights Park District to kick off summer with the Picnic in the Park. (Left) Ahmed El-Maghraby and wife Elizabeth were married June 17 in Egypt. (Right) Michael Schroeder (on the right) welcomed Robert Busan to the practice. (Bottom, L-R) John Kaminski with wife Ann, John Brendich with wife Mary Ellen, Dave Wurzbach with wife Linda and Mike Durbin and wife Renee Pappas attended the Annual Midwest Seminar of Dental Medicine in September.



Mike Durbin and **Renee Pappas** (both UIC class of 1988), along with **John Kaminski** and his wife, Ann (Northwestern Class of 1988-Northwest Side Branch); **John Brendich** and his wife, Mary Ellen (UIC Class of 1988-Englewood Branch); and **Dave Wurzbach** with his wife, Linda (UIC Class of 1988-North Suburban); attended the Annual Midwest Seminar of Dental Medicine in September at the Abbey Resort in Fontana, WI. They enjoyed each other's company for a few days of fun, fellowship and CE at a great resort.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any branch news at my office by phone at 847.670.9020, or by email at smilesforkids@comcast.net.

South Suburban

by Michael Hoffman, DDS

The Oct. 4 South Suburban Branch meeting featured speaker Frank Licari, associate dean of the Midwestern University Dental School. Dr. Licari presented the impressive program underway at the school's Downers Grove campus that began with the first class this fall.

Also at the October branch meeting, tribute was paid to **Leo Finley**, who died at the end of August. Leo held all branch offices, including president. He was later elected to the CDS Board of Directors and ultimately served as president of CDS in 1989-90. Leo was elected vice speaker of the Illinois State

Dental Society's House of Delegates and chaired the Dent-IL-PAC Governor's Club. He ran an unsuccessful campaign for ADA president-elect in 2002. His judgment, humor, faith and trustworthiness made him a friend to many and an example for all of us.

Gary Jagmin and **Larry Jagmin** toured South Dakota on Harley Davidsons the last weekend in September. They covered 560 miles and visited Sturgis, Deadwood, Spearfish Canyon, Custer State Park, Crazy Horse Monument, Needles Highway, Mount Rushmore, Cave of the Winds National Monument and Devil's Tower National Monument in Wyoming.

Kevin Patterson is proud of his son,



SOUTH SUBURBAN: (Top left) Keyur Shah and wife, Neha, in Grenada, Spain. (Top right) Gary Jagmin, Larry Jagmin, and their cousin John Hayes at Sylvan Lake in Custer Park, Black Hills, SD. (Bottom left) Kevin Patterson's son, Mark (center) with members of the Riverdale Police and Fire departments. (Bottom right) Marquette University orthodontics residents Nikolay Mollov, Josh Barta, Kevin Knutson, Yaroslav Yarmoyluk and Donna Chang joined Spencer Pope in Tucson, AZ, for 10 days of wire bending and orthodontic theory.

Mark, who recently completed his Eagle Scout service project. Mark collected donations and then organized his troop to build picnic tables for the Riverdale Park District. He delivered the picnic tables Sept. 11. Members of the Riverdale Fire Department and Police Department were on hand to accept his donation and to congratulate him on the completion of his project.

Rich Mantoan traveled to Door County, WI, with his wife, Karen, and three adult children to revisit the places they used to go to more than 25 years ago. They enjoyed the fish boil at the Viking Restaurant in Ellison Bay, breakfast at Al Johnson's (with the goats on the roof) in Sister Bay, the Yum-Yum confectionary in Bailey's Harbor, and the Northcote Clock and Stein Shop filled with German cuckoo clocks and hundreds of beer steins. Rich says, "It was nice to see the New England of the Midwest is just as beautiful as ever and unspoiled by fast food chains and department stores."

Rob Manasse attended the Illinois State Dental Society Annual Session Sept. 9-11, when he was installed as trustee. He says he was able to run in St. Louis every morning to get a tour by foot. He and his wife, Johanna, went to a Cardinals game in the new Busch Stadium on Friday evening. They also enjoyed the President's Dinner Dance.

Zack Zaibak had his new book, *The Hidden Truth Behind Beautiful Smiles* accepted for publication on his birthday, Sept. 14.

Keyur Shah and his wife, Neha, vacationed in Grenada, Spain, in early September while his office, Matteson Orthodontics, was renovated. His office hosted an open house Nov. 15.

Ron Waryjas became a grandfather for the first time Oct. 2 when his granddaughter, Constance Therese Noonan, was born.

Spencer Pope recently attended the Tweed Orthodontic Study Course in Tucson, AZ. He says, "It was 10 days of intense wire bending and orthodontic

theory from sunup to sundown." He was gratified to attend with five of his best orthodontic residents from Marquette University, where he has been an adjunct professor for the past 11 years.

West Side

by Michelle Jennings, DDS, and Michael Santucci, DDS

A blessed and happy holiday to all! At this time of year it is truly inspiring to look at the accomplishments of our West Side family. It gives us all a bit to strive for and be proud of as we count our blessings in 2011 and set our goals for 2012.

We extend a warm welcome to two new West Side Branch members. **Andrew Monestero** is a recent graduate of the University of Illinois at Chicago College

of Dentistry. He is currently a first year periodontal resident at UIC. Andrew spends some of his spare time running. His most recent accomplishment was completing the Chicago Rock & Roll Half-Marathon this summer with his girlfriend, **Andrea Klein**.

Our other new member is **Christopher Zwiercan**. Chris is a UIC graduate as well, and is currently in private practice in Northlake and an assistant clinical professor at UIC in the department of Oral Medicine and Diagnostic Services. Chris and his wife, Gina, also celebrated their first anniversary Sept. 25. Congratulations to Chris and Gina.

For the secrets to a successful marriage we can look to Sue and **Chuck Thometz** as role models. They celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary this past summer by returning to California where they spent



WEST SIDE: (Top) Steve Weeks, Jim Bryniarski and Mike Santucci completed the Apple Cider Century 100-mile bike ride. (Left) Michelle Jennings and Rick Bona joined Rich Caraba for a tour of the Hoover Dam.

five days in San Francisco, nine days in and around Yosemite National Park, three days in Lake Tahoe, and a final day in Sonoma wine country. They actually retraced their steps from their honeymoon 49 years ago! However, this time they were accompanied by all four children, their spouses and all four grandchildren during their week in Yosemite.

Sue and Chuck are settled into retirement at their home in Lake Geneva, WI, and loving every minute! Not sure where all the time goes but they always seem to be busy. Some of their retired friends tell them it takes a few years to really settle into retirement mode. They will not be strangers to the branch, as we saw Sue and Chuck at the Installation of CDS Officers and we'll see them again at the President's Dinner Dance at the Midwinter Meeting.

The West Side Branch was well represented at the American Dental Association Annual Session in Las Vegas by **Don Tuck, Brian Caraba, Rich Caraba, Jim Bryniarski, George Zehak** and **Michelle Jennings**, to name a few.

Rich Caraba, Rick Bona, Jim Bryniarski and **Michelle Jennings** toured Hoover Dam, Lake Mead and the Boulder City area prior to the meeting, enjoying the beautiful scenery, 75-degree weather and local hospitality of Rich Caraba. Rich, Rick and Jim also spent a day at Red Rock Canyon.

Jim volunteered in Information, Rick was a presiding chair, and Rich directed the senior hospitality area. Michelle was honored with being inducted in the Academy of Dentistry International with **George Zehak** as her sponsor. George, who served as an ADA delegate as well, attended the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) hearings. He also serves as the Academy of Dentistry International regent and editor, and is president of the Illinois branch of the American College of Dentistry.

Besides the ADA meeting trip, **Michelle Jennings** also took a trip to Southern Illinois with her running friends and completed the Tunnel Hill 10-miler. This very scenic run takes place on an abandoned, renovated railroad bed from Tunnel Hill to Vienna. They finished the trip

with a wine tour through some of the finest wineries southern Illinois has to offer. It's a must-do run for any runners looking for something new in 2012.

On a professional level, **Michelle Jennings** and **Eugene Buksa** also partnered with Nobel Biocare to put on a seminar at the Oak Brook Doubletree Hotel. The course entitled, "Internal Implant Marketing," focused on providing local dentists and staff with continuing education in an interactive format.

One of our branch's most impressive accomplishments was the Apple Cider Century 100 mile bike ride completed by **Jim Bryniarski, Mike Santucci** and **Steve Weeks**. They overcame a rainy start to the ride and multiple hills to finish strong. All three donned their Apple Cider Century finisher's shirts proudly!

Dean Politis was the speaker for our September branch meeting. He put on a very impressive presentation on soft tissue grafting. We thank Dean and our branch members who are so willing to share their talents with others.

Carol Everett had a busy summer going to San Diego in July where she received her Academy of General Dentistry fellowship. Carol also attended the Illinois State Dental Society meeting in St Louis in September. Her husband, Virgil, enjoyed both cities while Carol did her "dental stuff." Congratulations to Carol on her accomplishments.

Another branch leader is **George Zehak**. As well as being installed as CDS treasurer in November, one of his many endeavors is with the CDS Foundation. Please support the CDS Foundation, as its efforts to address some of the access to care problems in our area are admirable and will not continue progressing without our support.

As 2012 approaches and we set our New Year's goals, we leave you with a point to ponder:

"Every day do something that will inch you closer to a better tomorrow."

—Doug Firebaugh

West Suburban

by Victoria Rinando, DDS

The Illinois State Dental Society Annual Session in St. Louis was a huge success this year! **Robert Banks, Andy Browar, Barb Chang, Brian Del Carlo, Ian Elliott, John Gerding, Peter Hasiakos, Doug Kay, Paul Kempf, Don Kipper, Mark Ploskonka, Keith Suchy** and **Derrick Williamson** all attended as West Suburban Branch delegates. **Tom Sullivan** and **Dino Nicholas** attended as past ISDS presidents. **Mark Ploskonka** was installed as the new Chicago District trustee. All of our delegates worked hard attending the Reference Committee hearings and the Chicago District caucus hearing.

All work and no play makes for, well, all work! ISDS president Darryll Beard made sure there was plenty of time for a golf outing Thursday, a Cardinals game Friday

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night, and, of course, the Dinner Dance on Saturday night. Other social events included the Opening Session Breakfast and the Governor's Club Luncheon.

Jim Maragos announced his candidacy for ISDS Secretary. Jim has plenty of experience with politics, from both his former CDS and ISDS committee positions and his father, a former state legislator.

Next year's ISDS Annual Session will take place at the Renaissance Hotel in Schaumburg, honoring president **Robert Bitter**. Anyone interested in attending should contact a delegate or any branch officer, as your participation and involvement in these key legislative issues is critical to keeping the profession in our rightful hands!

The West Suburban Branch joined the West Side Branch for its annual golf outing in September at Old Oaks Country Club in Homer Glen. I'm told there were no holes-in-one, but plenty of dental humor.

Glenn DeWeirdt of Sugar Grove Dental Associates and Hobson Dental recently completed the Skip Barber racing course at Road America in Elkhart Lake, WI, and received his Sports Car Club of America competition license. He spoke at the November Northwest Suburban Branch meeting and the November McHenry Dental Society meeting on the Dental Operating Microscope for the General Dentist.

Darshana Novick hosted an open house reception this past October for her new orthodontic practice in River Forest, all while balancing time between her two lovely daughters and husband, Rob.

Lynse Briney, pediatric dentist and super-mom, hosted a welcome reception at the new Children's Dentistry clinic in Bucktown-Wicker Park. We know her husband, Brent, is so proud!

Neal Laroia recently returned to Chicagoland after his orthodontic residency in New York. He hosted an open house reception at his new practice in

President Profile

Brian Del Carlo, DDS | WEST SUBURBAN

Education: Brian Del Carlo

earned his dental degree from

the Case Western Reserve

University School of Dental

Medicine in 1999. He is a

Fellow of the Academy of

General Dentistry. Brian also

earned a certificate in

orthodontics as a general

dentist from the United States

Dental Institute.



Brian Del Carlo with his mother.

Practice: Dr. Del Carlo practices in Downers Grove.

Outside of dentistry, my interests include: traveling, fishing and gardening.

My goal for the coming year is: to have a great time. We have a fantastic line-

up of great speakers: Bill Nudera opened our season at Midwestern University

talking about endodontics; Robin Wright spoke on Team Night about

communication and treatment planning; Sharon Bogetz and Wendy Pesavento

will cover marketing and transitions; and Petra von Heimburg will discuss some

legal aspects of dentistry. Quality education will be a great time.

Oakbrook Terrace, and is looking forward to building relationships with dentists in the area. Welcome back, Neal!

President **Brian Del Carlo** hosted the first branch meeting at Midwestern University. Dean Lex MacNeil welcomed practicing dentists in the area, and students of the new dental school provided tours of the new state-of-the-art Simulation Lab on campus. Endodontist William Nudera also gave a presentation about Apexogenesis and Apexification techniques. There was quite a turn out and plenty of excitement about the new College of Dental Medicine.

In March, **Carrie Thangamani** purchased the orthodontic practice of Elise Harnois in Hinsdale. She and Elise practiced together for a few months, until Elise fully retired at the end of June. Carrie and her husband, Vijay, recently moved to the area from Chicago and had their first child, Caroline, in early May. While it's been a busy spring and summer with a new practice and a new baby, Carrie looks forward to practicing and living in the West Suburban community for many years to come. She is thoroughly enjoying her new office and looks forward to meeting fellow colleagues in the branch! ■

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Boston University, 2011
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Al-Asadi, Mohammad

Northwestern University, 1999
806 Central Ave., Highland Park
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Alexander, Michael

Tufts University, 1982
800 Oak St., Winnetka
North Suburban Branch

Allen, Kenneth

Southern Illinois University, 2007
1131 S. State St., Chicago
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Babka, Marsha

University of Illinois, 1976
555 31st St., Downers Grove
West Suburban Branch

Baskin, Jill

University of Illinois, 1983
7700 W. Madison, River Forest
West Side Branch

Beatty, Calysta

University of North Carolina, 2008
4824 S. Champlain Ave., Chicago
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Borgmeyer, Samuel

University of Missouri, 2011
3851 W. Ogden Ave., Chicago
West Side Branch

Busan, Bogdan

University of California, 2008
201 N. Arlington Heights Rd., Arlington
Heights
Northwest Suburban Branch

Campin, Wesley

Southern Illinois University, 2003
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Evergreen Park
Englewood Branch

Casaclang, Cynthia

Central Escolar University, 1983
3525 W. Peterson Ave., Chicago
North Side Branch

Cervantes, Jennifer

Boston University, 2003
21 Camberley Ct., Hinsdale
Englewood Branch

Chang, Kara

Baylor College, 2010
1913 Sherman Ave., Evanston
North Side Branch

Cwik, Aaron

Marquette University, 2003
202 S. Greenleaf St., Gurnee
North Suburban Branch

Dajani, Nadia

University of Illinois, 2000
8550 S. Harlem Ave., Bridgeview
Englewood Branch

Dardis, Kathryn

University of Michigan, 2009
365 N. Jefferson St., Chicago
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Dow, Kevin

University of Iowa, 2011
30 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Drach, Daniel

University of Illinois, 1982
6416 W. Higgins Ave., Chicago
Northwest Side Branch

Falsey, Kathleen

Northwestern University, 1992
8014 W. 17th St., Tinley Park
South Suburban Branch

Fernitz, David

Loyola University, 1984
1310 Shermer Rd., Northbrook
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Figueroa, Alexander

Case Western Reserve University, 2008
1220 Hobson Rd., Naperville
West Suburban Branch

Galanis, Stacey

Northwestern University, 1993
8201 Menard Ave., Morton Grove
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Gast, Garrett

University of the Pacific, 2006
3435 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago
North Side Branch

Huang, Lijuan

Boston University, 2002
150 Half Day Rd., Buffalo Grove
North Suburban Branch

Kraft, Rachel

University of Michigan, 2009
101 S. Greenleaf, Gurnee
North Suburban Branch

Ibrahim, Nazik

University of Illinois, 2011
1320 S. Elmhurst Rd.,
Mount Prospect
Northwest Suburban Branch

Johnson, Lars

University of Illinois, 2004
10020 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park
Northwest Suburban Branch

Johnson, Pamela

Marquette University, 1987
545 Plainfield Rd., Willowbrook
Englewood Branch

Kalkanis, Georgia

University of Illinois, 2004
5037 N. Harlem Ave., Chicago
Northwest Side Branch

Klapp-Aristodemo, Sandra

University of Illinois, 1999
1205 W. Dundee Rd., Wheeling
Northwest Suburban Branch

Knudson, Margaret

Marquette University, 2011
1893 Sheridan Rd., Highland Park
North Suburban Branch

Lee, Clara

Northwestern University, 1992
7777 Lake St., River Forest
West Side Branch

Lennon, Mollie

University of Toronto, 2007
9221 Drake Ave., Evanston
North Side Branch

Lockwood, Carol

Northwestern University, 1992
720 Osterman Ave., Deerfield
North Suburban Branch

Marquez, Jamie

Temple University, 2011
4051 N. Kenmore Ave., Chicago
North Side Branch

Moniz, Stephanie

University of the Pacific, 2011
353 N. Des Plaines St., Chicago
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Moore, Denise

Loyola University, 1982
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South Suburban Branch

Patel, Rashmika

New York University, 1991
7140 Dempster St., Morton Grove
Northwest Side Branch

Petrungaro, Paul

Loyola University, 1982
30 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Pettijohn, Stuart

University of Michigan, 2010
712 E. 87th St., Chicago
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Rho, James

Loma Linda University, 2010
474 N. Lake Shore Dr., Chicago
North Side Branch

Riccolo, Lora

Loyola University, 1992
1N121 County Farm Rd., Winfield
West Suburban Branch

Rowe, Corie

Tufts University, 2011
233 E. 13th St., Chicago
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Salazar, Blanca

University of Illinois, 1985
5008 W. Cermak Rd., Cicero
West Side Branch

Sandhu, Ramandeep

New York University, 2010
6720 N. Clark St., Chicago
North Side Branch

Shafi, Reem

Temple University, 1998
1196 W. Boughton Rd.,
Bolingbrook
Englewood Branch

Sims, Grant

University of Illinois, 1989
5503 N. Clark St., Chicago
North Side Branch

Slanina, Alison

University of North Carolina, 2009
1447 Lee St., Des Plaines
Northwest Side Branch

Stosich, Michael

Temple University, 2011
9704 S. Marquette, Chicago
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Thomas, Natolya

University of Michigan, 2010
9718 S. Halsted St., Chicago
Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch

Topalo, Goran

University of Michigan, 2011
222 N. Plum Grove Rd., Palatine
Northwest Suburban Branch

Ullmann, Chris

Loyola University, 1992
6121 Washington St., Gurnee
North Suburban Branch

Ward-Harris, Stephanie

University of Illinois, 2001
2345 W. Cermak Rd., Chicago
West Side Branch

Welu, John

University of Iowa, 1972
800 S. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville
North Suburban Branch

Wolin, Robert

Loyola University, 1976
2746 W. Fullerton Ave., Chicago
North Side Branch

Ye, Wang

University of Pennsylvania, 2001
2166 Plum Grove Rd., Rolling Meadows
Northwest Suburban Branch

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Northwestern University, 1966
5959 W. Loop S., Suite 520
Bellaire, TX
Associate Member Branch
Died April 7.

Cerney, Alan

University of Illinois, 1946
4621 Dartmouth Ave. N.
Saint Petersburg, FL
Associate Member Branch
Died June 27.

Fick, Albert

Northwestern University, 1940
5015 W. Shore Dr., McHenry
West Suburban Branch
Died Sept. 25, 2006.

Finley, Leo Jr.

Loyola University, 1963
18208 Vermont Ct., Orland Park
South Suburban Branch
Died Aug. 26.

Klefstad, David

Marquette University, 1963
126 Highland Dr., Glenbeulah, WI
Associate Member Branch
Died Sept. 22.

Koller, Andrew

Northwestern University, 1940
800 W. Oakton St., Apt 304N
Arlington Heights
Northwest Suburban Branch
Died Sept. 4.

Latin, Ronald

Loyola University, 1961
6028 E. Vernon Ave., Scottsdale, AZ
Associate Member Branch
Died Aug. 1.

Mendel, Seymour

University of Illinois, 1943
312 Greenbrier, Apt. B
West Palm Beach, FL
North Side Branch
Died Nov. 20, 2010.

Miller, Charles

Indiana University, 1976
112 N. Ship St., Portland, IN
Associate Member Branch
Died Aug. 29.

Psoata, Frank

University of Illinois, 1951
5 S. Donald, Arlington Heights
Northwest Suburban Branch
Died Nov. 23, 2009.

Sayre, Loren

Northwestern University, 1944
66 Jansen Ln., Vernon Hills
West Suburban Branch
Died Nov. 3, 2010.

Schlesinger, J. G.

University of Illinois, 1968
1960 Brentwood Rd., Northbrook
North Suburban Branch
Died June 12.

Schneider, Walter

University of Illinois, 1951
10477 W. Liberty Ct., Zion
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A swan song for CODA?

A proverbial bomb exploded at the ADA headquarters in August when the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) voted to grant the University of Minnesota's request to establish accreditation standards for dental therapy education programs.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff, oops I meant the ADA Board of Trustees (BOT), hunkered down in their bunker as incoming mortar fire from incensed members rained down, demanding that they come up with a battle plan to fight the CODA decision.

They sallied forth with a BOT resolution developed at its October meeting and subsequently presented and passed (without debate) by the ADA House of Delegates (HOD) to strongly urge CODA to delay the accreditation process in order to allow them to review their compliance with their own criteria.

CODA is indeed an agency of the ADA; however, of its 30 members, only four are appointed by ADA, the rest represent a broad make up of the dental community. There is even a public member. The U.S. Department of Education ceded its power to accredit dental education to CODA with the proviso that the commission not be subjected to undue outside influence – including that which might be levied by the ADA itself. It is important that the ADA accredits dental education and not the government; to jeopardize that privilege is reckless.

A month later, the Kellogg Foundation added to the carnage when it published the results of a survey that reaffirms that many Americans do not have access to dental care. The real blockbuster in the survey: 76 percent of Americans support dental therapists as one way to help address the “dental gap” (sic).

In a statement reminiscent of George Orwell's *1984* doublespeak, the ADA says it agrees with Kellogg's intent to draw attention to oral health disparities, but (take note, everything after the but is what they mean) it disagrees with the methodology and Kellogg's obsessive focus on dental therapists as a solution.

I find it hypocritical that the ADA's rebuttal to the survey criticizes Kellogg for not citing education, scope of practice, and supervision of dental therapists. Isn't that what CODA proposes to do?

Surf the Web and you will find scores of Expanded Function Dental Assistant (EFDA) programs across the states; each has its own list of procedures that an EFDA may perform.



Seventy-six percent of Americans support dental therapists as one way to help address the 'dental gap.'

Every one of those states, including Minnesota, requires direct supervision. One state even allows a suitably trained EFDA to place gutta percha in a prepared canal. Could that EFDA be considered a mid-level provider? The want ads of that state show a great demand for EFDAs.

It's easy to lob grenades, but what stance should the ADA BOT take?

For starters, initiate a strategic withdrawal from its obsessive myopic focus on defeating the mid-level provider concept. Take a long look at the realities of the situation: independent practice of mid-level providers is possible, but not practical. Colorado has allowed independent hygiene practice for 20 years, but fewer than 20 individuals have opted to do so.

Devise a strategy to restore lost public confidence in the profession by telling our compelling story; public opinion matters. Reaffirm the principle of direct supervision.

Trust CODA to define educational standards. Stop being the association of no and propose solutions that include a high level of preventive education.

Stop the reliance on patient safety as a crutch. The general public doesn't buy it; they view it as turf protection.

General Robert E. Lee (whose birthday I share) was a tactical genius; when outnumbered, he attacked. It's time for the ADA to mount a charge! ■

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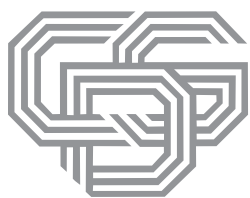
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