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Attendance at CDS Regional Meetings is growing—and so are the lines to register on site. To reduce your wait time, CDS members and their staffs can pre-register for free online (though Regional Meetings are free to CDS members and their auxiliaries, they cost $250 for non-members and their staffs).

Grab your CDS member ID number (the five-digit number at the top of the mailing label on the cover) and register online at www.cds.org/meetingreg/step1/. By registering online, CDS can maintain a history of your Regional Meeting participation. Registration will close three days prior the meeting.

Remember that your badges will not be mailed in advance and must be picked up at the meeting. Don’t forget to also visit the exhibitors in the foyer and thank them for supporting CDS.

CDS officers election date set for November 5

The 2009 CDS Election of Officers will be held Nov. 5 during the Regional Meeting at Drury Lane, 100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace.

Handouts go green

In 2009, course handouts for the 144th Midwinter Meeting prepared by our scientific clinicians for their programs will again be available to participants online at www.cds.org/mwm from Nov. 1 through the end of March. You may print out your own copy of the handouts you need for the courses for which you pre-registered while at home or in the office, review them, and bring them with you. Please note there will be no printing stations available at McCormick Place this year, nor will printed handouts be available at McCormick Place. Plan ahead, print ahead, and enjoy your course by joining CDS in going green.

Volunteers needed!

In order to maintain the level of excellence for which the Midwinter Meeting has become known, we ask every regular and associate CDS member to please consider volunteering your time as a Room Chair, Presiding Chair, or if you are a dental student, consider becoming a Student Chair.

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

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The CDS Midwinter Meeting is widely regarded as one of the best dental meetings in the country, earning a reputation as the respected leader in scientific dental meetings. Our meeting has gained this reputation through the dedication and hard work of our members who volunteer their time and energy.

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President’s Perspective by H. Todd Cubbon, DDS

Call Dr. Cubbon at 708.672.6612, or write htoddcubbon@aol.com.

In the July/August issue of the CDS Review, I addressed the dire situation of funding for traditional dental schools in Illinois. Illinois is reflective of the situation throughout the United States and for which there is no easy fix looming on the horizon.

Often when there is a void, something appears and attempts to fill it. This crisis in dental education is no exception. The intermingling of commercial interests and dental education is becoming a more frequent occurrence. Is it a storm looming, the silver lining of the financial maelstrom, or the next generation of dental education? With universities’ backs against the wall, they may feel they have no alternative but to secure funding wherever they can.

Recently we saw the partnership between a national orthodontic group and the educational world. The promise was to help underwrite the expense of education both for the school and the student. In return, the orthodontic group received a ready pool of practitioners for its national network of clinics. It sounded like a win-win. Well, as we have seen, that has turned out to be a disaster with the schools left holding the bag of unfunded promised clinic construction and students enrolled with their tuition support vaporized.

Concurrently we are seeing dental schools entering into agreements with implant and non-traditional orthodontic companies, which give the schools desperately needed funds; in return, they have access to impressionable students. It creates a tremendous burden for an educator or institution to maintain an unbiased educational arena which, I feel, is essential for a well-rounded education.

This is not unlike the challenge CDS faces with sponsored hands-on clinics presented at the Midwinter Meeting and monitoring lectures to assure that there is no commercialism in the content of the speakers program. With the advent of sponsored lectures in the near future, your Society will be tested to maintain that separation of unbiased education and commercialism. It is CDS leadership’s responsibility to insure that commercialism does not trump continuing education; I am confident we will continue to do so.

Dentistry is not the only profession facing this situation. Medicine has and is facing a similar quandary with equipment and pharmaceutical companies. A recent two-year study conducted by the Association of American Medical Colleges came down hard on the commercial influence in medical schools and proposes harsh policy measures to rectify the current state of affairs. They found that some professors had their research papers “ghost written” and a speaker’s bureau provided lucrative engagements to those who would tout the company line. In some cases, lecture audio/visual materials are provided that are not the speaker’s personal work. They also found that most medical schools have no conflict of interest policies. (You can read an article on this in the April 28 issue of The New York Times [www.nytimes.com] written by Gardiner Harris.) It is imperative that our dental schools take a look in the mirror and heed the lessons in that report.

What could be more commercial than a dental school that itself is a commercial venture? Contemplate an educational entity that has been created solely for the purpose of being a successful business model for its founders by producing the “product” of board- and license-eligible graduates at a profit. Such a school will be opening in Illinois in the very near future at Midwestern University in Downers Grove. With the tremendous cost involved in opening a new school and administering a dental education, it will be enlightening to learn how they will accomplish this in the private sector. Will there be a strong financial input from outside commercial companies? Will the school be walking a tightrope to preserve an unbiased educational environment? Will they be able to resist the forbidden fruit of financial influence? Will they fail a student and lose the subsidy? Or, will they be lean and mean enough to succeed, to be the answer to the funding dilemma, and become the Next Generation of dental education?

Fast fact
I am enjoying watching Brett Favre give the Packers fits instead of the Bears. ■
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It used to be that when a patient had a good experience in the dental office, the highest compliment would be to tell someone about it—another parent in the carpool, maybe, or a neighbor she ran into at the grocery store.

Now it seems that the first person to hear about your patient’s experience is a complete stranger who logs on to one of many Web sites that invite users to review everything from dog groomers to plastic surgeons. Sites like yelp.com, Angie’s List and Doctoroogle take word of mouth recommendations—and condemnations—to a new extreme.

Healthcare providers are a growing segment of online review sites, with even restaurant authority Zagat’s making plans to add a healthcare component to its Web site, cnn.com reported in April.

“There is tremendous evidence that consumers trust the opinions of other consumers more than they trust traditional media sources,” explained Matt Moog, CEO of Viewpoints Network. The Chicago-based company launched user-generated review site viewpoints.com a year ago. Mr. Moog is also a spokesperson for the Chicago-based Word of Mouth Marketing Association.

“You have to be conscious of the large cross section of your customer base that needs the services you provide and goes to the Web for referrals.”
As evidence, Mr. Moog said that viewpoints.com will welcome more than 1 million users this year. The site receives 32,000 hits per day, and Mr. Moog says with confidence that consumers are interested in reading user-generated reviews in 700 categories of services.

Reviews of healthcare providers are a growing addition to his site, and dentists will be held to new standards as both business owners and healthcare providers, as their patients increasingly turn to the Internet to share their opinions with thousands of people each month.

For example, Mr. Moog recently reviewed his eye surgeon; the review received 192 hits in 60 days this summer. (In contrast, Mr. Moog’s review of a new Chicago restaurant received more than 1,000 hits in the same time period.)

The trend in reviews, Mr. Moog admitted, is a J-curve—80 percent of reviews tend to be four or five stars on a five-point scale. But doctors who receive negative reviews shouldn’t be tempted to quash them. Having one or two bad experiences in a sea of positive reviews is normal.

(Incidentally, the most negatively reviewed items on viewpoints.com in July included Microsoft’s Vista and a cable television provider.)

If you are confident in the work that you do and the customer service your staff provides, Mr. Moog recommends that dentists capitalize on the trend. Pick a few sites you like and encourage patients to post reviews there. The more reviews you have, the more weight they carry with potential patients.

“It’s a way to communicate with 100,000 people in the area who need your service,” Mr. Moog said.

That being said, it’s important for doctors to remain aware of what reviewers are posting about the practice. If that sounds like a tough job, remember that Google Alerts is one tool for Internet users to monitor news about specific topics without having to search manually every day. Google will automatically search for the terms you register at google.com/alerts and e-mail you new links to relevant postings.

Look for trends in the reviews of your practice; don’t focus on an isolated bad experience. Be honest and introspective when you ask yourself if the review is accurate. Use negative reviews as an opportunity for growth.

Arizona-based communications coach Katherine Eitel recommended doctors tell their staffs before logging on to read reviews. Agree that it is important to know what is being said about your practice, and that the comments will be considered an opportunity for growth—not a reason to point fingers at individuals.

“If the reviews online mention a rudeness or friendliness factor, ask yourselves as a team, ‘what are we doing to assure each patient of our willingness to give them great service?’” Ms. Eitel said.

Following is more expert advice to turn your patients’ reviews of your practice into opportunities for growth.

“Making an appointment was the first hurdle—the person who answered the phone was so rude. . .”

Patients who call your office to make an appointment need to know right away that customer service is your top priority. But they only have one dimension on which to judge that: the sound of the receptionist’s voice.

Ms. Eitel, who will discuss telephone etiquette at the 2009 Midwinter Meeting, recommended staff members simulate the patients’ experience by facing away from each other and reading something in a normal voice; then do it again in an exaggerated, overly happy voice. Partners usually choose the second version as the one they preferred to hear.
When answering the phone, staff should identify the name of the practice and themselves, and then anything else you can tag at the end without taking a breath. Avoid references to the time of day (like, “Good morning and thank you for calling the dental offices of . . .”) so that your phone routine can be swift no matter when the phone rings.

Finally, don’t have an agenda when you answer phone. Instead of immediately telling callers “No, we don’t do things that way,” ask for more information and offer the caller an appropriate option.

“On top of the lackluster reception, the waiting room was a dump. . .”

Dental office esthetics are crucial to the end result of care, said David Ahearn, a dentist and president of Westport, MA-based Design/Ergonomics. The way your office looks is a crucial part of how patients evaluate the care you provide.

“Most buyers do not make decisions the way most dentists do, with the left brain,” Dr. Ahearn said. “Most buyers make decisions with their right brain and then justify them as they move through the buying process with left brain input.”

Pointing to retail giants like Wal-Mart and Nordstrom, Dr. Ahearn explained that every detail counts when you’re working toward a desired response. Having a clean and tidy office is certainly important, but so is the amount of time—seconds—it takes to get from the front door to a smiling face in the reception area.

“Office esthetics relate to how easy it is to get to the bathroom without having to ask in public. Even to little things like what the far end of the hallway looks like count,” he said. “These cues set the stage for our dental team to have the chance to do the right thing and, as a result, to have a patient accept treatment—eagerly.”

“And then I got the bill. . .”

“If you haven’t communicated clearly with your patient, you can predict there may be shock when he receives the bill,” said communications consultant Mary Byers. “Don’t start working until you are certain that fees and billing have been discussed with your patient.”

Even if you have a designated member of your office team to discuss issues of billing and insurance with patients, Ms. Byers said, it is the doctor’s responsibility to confirm that the conversation between those two parties was clear and comprehensive prior to treatment.

Conversations regarding money are not always easy to initiate—especially when they involve great sums—but they are necessary.

“I like phrases like, ‘I just want to make sure that we’re on the same page regarding this procedure and the cost,’” she recommended. Offer to contact the patient’s insurance provider to confirm coverage.

“If you are very matter-of-fact about what treatment you are recommending and what the fees will be, patients aren’t as likely to be uncomfortable.”

“When I finally saw the doctor, I was shocked. I had no idea this would eat up so much of my time. . .”

“It’s really good advice to share with your patients anything you can quantify: how much something will cost, how long it will take, how they will feel afterward, how long the recovery time is,” Ms. Byers said.

Patients often don’t know what questions to ask, so it is important that staff members work as patient advocates to offer all of the information that will make a patient’s experience as predictable as possible, she explained.

“The bottom line is that the fewer surprises there are in the operatory, the less likely a patient is to get online and badmouth you.”

Comments

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Services were held Aug. 14 at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Barrington, for Chicago Dental Society Executive Director Emeritus Karl S. Richardson. Mr. Richardson died Aug. 4 at his home in Florida. He was 98.

A reception followed at the Hilton Garden Inn, Hoffman Estates. Interment will be in St. Michael's Garden Columbarium.

Mr. Richardson served CDS as executive director for 29 years, beginning June 1, 1950. He was awarded honorary membership at the 114th Midwinter Meeting immediately prior to his retirement. In bestowing the honor, then-CDS President Richard G. Fischl said that it came from the Board of Directors "as a testimonial of their love and affection and in appreciation of his years of tireless and dedicated service to the Society."

Mr. Richardson's tenure began after a lengthy interview process that drew him to the top of a pool of 75 candidates. He continued to serve the society for many years after his retirement as a senior advisor and Executive Director Emeritus.

"Karl was a truly unique individual who willingly shared with me his knowledge of the Chicago Dental Society and provided counsel and guidance whenever needed," said current CDS Executive Director Randall Grove. "His great humor, storytelling and ability to send me to the thesaurus will always be remembered and cherished. Karl epitomized what true professional association management is all about. I will miss his reassuring words and friendship."

Mr. Richardson's wife, Mary Lou, said his years at CDS made Mr. Richardson very proud, as he was instrumental in the establishment of Children's Dental Health Week, the fluoridation of Chicago's water supply in 1956, and the growth of the annual Midwinter Meeting. Attendance at the Midwinter Meeting more than doubled during his tenure, and Mr. Richardson was universally respected for his gentle way of dealing with the growing number of exhibitors that make the meeting strong.

Mr. Richardson was a member of the American Association of Dental Editors, founding president (1973) of the Association of the Component Society Executives, member of the Professional Convention Management Association, member of the American Society of Association Executives, member and president (1978-79) of the Conference of Medical Society Executives of Greater Chicago, and member of the Executive Service Corps of Chicago. Upon his retirement, Mr. Richardson was given honorary membership in the American Dental Association, the Illinois State Dental Society, the Chicago Dental Society and the Odontographic Society of Chicago, in recognition of his contributions to the field of dentistry.

In his free time, Mr. Richardson was an avid horseman, all-around outdoorsman and sports enthusiast. He flew flags for the University of Michigan, the Chicago Cubs and the Chicago Bears in Florida during each team's games.

Mr. Richardson, himself an Eagle Scout, hosted Boy Scouts from his hometown of Ottawa for campouts at his residence in the Barrington area, northwest of Chicago.

Mr. Richardson was also an avid reader, and thus served as a consultant and supporter to the CDS’ Fortnightly Review and its successor, the CDS Review.

The son of an architect, he was interested in buildings of all kinds. He was especially knowledgeable of Chicago's historical landmarks.

Mr. Richardson graduated from the University of Michigan, where he earned a football letter and was a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. He went on to serve with the U.S. Navy in World War II. He served on the U.S.S. Pitt in the Pacific, and traveled for many military reunions well into his retirement.

Mr. Richardson is survived by his wife, Mary Lucille (nee Lindrooth) Richardson; daughter Pamela Ippoliti of Evanston; stepdaughter Nancy (Tim) Hellyer of Granger, IN; stepson Michael J. O’Donnell of Estero, FL; grandchildren Jennifer and Allyson Hellyer, and Robert T. O’Donnell, of Estero, FL, and Elizabeth O’Donnell, of Madison, WI; niece Melanie (Michael) Dundy, of Oregon; nephew Douglas Richardson, of California; nephew William (Karen) Richardson, of Barrington; and grandnephew David Kelliher, of Oregon.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Jean Lawson Richardson, son Jason M. Richardson, son-in-law John A. Ippoliti, and brother Donald F. Richardson.

The family requests that memorials in Mr. Richardson’s name be sent to Alexian Brothers Bonaventure House, P.O. Box 148187, Chicago, IL 60614-8187.
May there be no sadness of farewell

—From Crossing the Bar by Alfred Lord Tennyson

Karl S. Richardson was a man of many interests, some esoteric, most fascinating; he could expound on the proper method of shining shoes (you had to rub in the applied polish with a smooth long bone, preferably from a calf). His office at the CDS headquarters was lined with hand tied fly fishing flies, although he never mentioned ever using them for their intended purposes. His lunch hour seldom varied; He would smoke one of the two cigarettes he allowed himself daily and would stroll the downtown area studying in depth a building or two, most likely a habit he learned from his architect father.

He was a devotee of haggis (never ask the contents of the Scottish sausage enclosed in a sewn-tight lamb’s stomach) and attended annual dinners of the Scottish communities ending with the presentation of the “delicacy.”

I met Karl in the early 1970s, when I served on various CDS committees. He was reserved at first, but soon I learned he took your measure without being judgmental and focused on your strengths, which he would gently nurture. I had the privilege to serve directly on the CDS board with him for two years before his retirement. He seldom entered the discussion, allowing matters to take their natural course. When he was called upon to give the Executive Director’s Report, he would comment,

“I have nothing to add to my written report.” The report was so comprehensive no comment was needed.

Karl was an honorary past president of CDS, an honor he took seriously. He attended the past presidents’ luncheons at the Midwinter Meeting that were often sophomoric. He would wear an impeccable blue blazer, perfect gray flannels (Oxford gray or Cambridge), highly polished black cap toe oxfords and his beloved alma mater’s blue and gold University of Michigan tie.

Karl loved the written word and along with his close friend, Harold Hillebrand, encouraged and supported the formation of the ADA’s Council on Journalism. He practiced what he preached by being a sublime letter writer; to be on his cc list was a delight.

In short, Karl wrote as Fred Astaire danced, light and elegant as if the pen floated across the page.

Karl Richardson was awarded the 1981 Award of Merit by the American College of Dentists.
More than 700 people attended the annual CDS Family Picnic at the Brookfield Zoo. Members and their families and friends gathered at the zoo Sunday, July 20, to have a roarin’ good time seeing everything from the aardvarks to the zebras.

Lunch was served in the brand new Pavilions picnic area, serving the traditional array of tasty picnic foods. Despite it being gloomy in the morning, the sun was out by noon and everyone enjoyed the time spent with their families seeing the exciting exhibits the zoo had to offer.

—Rachel Azark
The Port course was packed July 14, as 72 golfers took to the tees promptly at 1 p.m. for a challenging afternoon of golf—tempered with the company of good friends—at the 2008 CDS Foundation Golf Outing at Harborside International Golf Center.

“It was wonderful to see so many friends of the CDS Foundation on the course that afternoon,” said CDS Foundation Chair Barbara Mousel. “Many thanks to our sponsors and golfers for making our inaugural event successful. Their participation makes it possible for the CDS Foundation to fulfill its mission.”

Beyond the social nature of the outing, participants said the course offered significant challenges for golfers at all levels.

“For a course that looks so wide open, there were plenty of places to get into trouble,” said CDS President-elect David Kumamoto.

Money raised at the outing benefitted the CDS Foundation, the charitable arm of the Chicago Dental Society. The CDS Foundation was established in 2007 to build a lasting dental endowment with support from the public, the profession and other organizations in the local dental community. The CDS Foundation aims to improve the oral health of the public CDS members serve by providing a permanent and stable source of income for dental education and access to care programs.

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Carolyn Suh
Michael Kozak

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Dan Welch
Carolyn Suh
Greg Pinkerton

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Jack Brabec
Mark Kikos
Brent Linkin

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Bruce Lowy
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1. Justin Schmollinger tees up a shot on the Port Course. 2. First Place Net winners Brent Linkin, Mike Benson, Mark Kikos and Jack Brabec. 3. First Place Gross winners Bruce Lowy, Dan Welch (also one of the Men’s Closest to the Pin winners), Greg Pinkerton (the second Men’s Closest to the Pin winner) and Paul Motter. 4. Women’s Closest to the Pin and Longest Drive winner Carolyn Suh (second from right) with her foursome of David Kumamoto, William Kleiber and Ted Buckley. 5. Men’s Longest Drive winner Michael Kozak (second from right) with his foursome of Mike Barbaglia, Christopher McCall and Scott Schutte. 6. Englewood Branch Director John Moore sinks a putt on the back 9.
When the going gets tough

It’s difficult, if not impossible, to find someone who hasn’t been affected by the country’s economic woes. Some have been affected seriously by job loss; others have been simply inconvenienced by higher food and gas prices. Regardless of where you are on this spectrum, you may have noticed a shift regarding your patients’ decision making as they worry about tightening their belts in order to be able to ride out the storm. If you’ve noticed a shift, here are some powerful tips to help you respond.

Ask questions. Find out if patients are turning down your treatment plan because of financial restrictions or something else. If it’s money, offer a financing program that will help patients meet their needs. And if you already offer one, be sure it’s well advertised internally so that patients know about it. If case acceptance is low for other reasons (patient uncertainty, lack of clarity, poor presentation) it’s essential to know this as well so that you can change how you and your staff are communicating with patients.

Think strategically. Strategy requires selecting and arranging your resources in a way that will give you the best possible outcome. Think about your staff, financial and equipment resources, and how you might be able to put them to better use. Are there ways to reduce spending or increase collections? Would more aggressive marketing encourage patients to become more open about their needs and wants? What small changes could end up making big differences to your bottom line?

Retrench. Airlines are a prime example of retrenching. After 9/11 routes were cancelled and food was eliminated. Recently, as fuel prices skyrocketed, many began charging for beverages and checked luggage, both of which used to be free. As the economy shifts, air travel has too.

Reorganize. Take a look at how things are working in the office. Is scheduling running smoothly? Is production what it should be? Is staff being challenged? If you could do one thing differently in your practice, what would it be? Answering these questions may allow you to see a way that reorganizing would increase efficiency and/or job satisfaction for employees.

Learn something new. It’s a Catch-22: if your schedule has slowed, it’s more difficult to justify spending money on continuing education. But if you have more time in the schedule and can consolidate patients into fewer days, then it’s perfect timing to send staff members to classes that would polish their technical skills. Whether it’s software training for the front office staff or technical training for your hygienist, now’s a good time to invest in the future of your practice. And don’t forget your own professional development. If you’ve been thinking about adding lasers to your practice, why not do it now while you have the time?

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The views expressed in this column are those of the writer and not necessarily the opinions of the Chicago Dental Society.
Do you know how much it costs you per hour to operate your hygiene chair? Have you ever put pen to paper and calculated all the factors that contribute to its cost? How much dental work is generated by your hygiene department? Have you ever kept track?

If you have never done so, it is time to investigate—to do the math in order to evaluate the cost structure and profitability of your hygiene department and to track the origin of the dental work that flows through your office.

However, your investigation should go beyond a cost analysis. Do you know how your hygienist treats your patients? Do you know if everything your hygienist states is legal? Do you know if your hygienist has a positive impact on your practice? Is your hygienist boosting treatment acceptance?

If not, it is time to survey your patients, to be part of the interaction, to take a closer look at the image your hygiene department portrays and how it is perceived by the patients.

As laid out above, the hygiene department has two distinct, yet interrelated components: 1) The revenue stream of the hygiene operation and its profitability, and 2) the creation of a trust environment, the promotion of dental need awareness and the achievement of a positive patient response in terms of treatment acceptance and scheduling appointments with you, the dentist.

**Hygiene profitability**

Know your gross and net practice revenue; know the hygiene production revenue and its overhead. Cost calculations of your hygiene department overhead should include the hygienist’s compensation, the supplies, instruments, etc., i.e. costs solely attributable to the hygiene department, as well as its proper percentage share of common costs, such as rent, utilities, front desk staff, phone, etc.

**Create dental-need awareness**

The hygienist is in the best position to emphasize and reinforce the treatment plan put in place by the dentist. The patient is generally more relaxed in the hygiene chair than in the dental chair and is able to pay better attention to the suggested care. The hygienist has the opportunity to explain the dentist’s diagnosis to the patient and tie the recommended dental work to the present state of the patient’s mouth. In addition, the patient often views the hygienist as an independent third party and will ask her opinion regarding the dental work recommended by the dentist.

However, the dentist, as the employer, has to be aware of the statements made by the hygienist. Legally, he is responsible for what goes on and what is said in his office. The dentist has to ensure that the hygienist, in her zeal to “sell” treatment, does not make a diagnosis and establish a treatment plan she perceives to be appropriate. A hygienist who oversteps her bounds can be accused of practicing dentistry without a license and the dentist, condoning such behavior, faces the charge of aiding and abetting the unlicensed practice of dentistry.

Both aspects of the hygiene profession, ensuring profitability and creating dental-need awareness in the patient, are interrelated. When the hygienist spends a little extra time with a patient discussing the proposed treatment plan, this will surely cut into her productivity and the overall revenue and return of the hygiene department. However, the dentist should weigh slightly lower hygiene profitability against treatment plan acceptance rate by patients upon leaving the hygienist’s chair. The few extra minutes spent by the hygienist “selling” a six-unit bridge or implants are surely worth a reduction in hygiene revenue.

**Conclusion**

Even though it is important to know your cost calculations for hygiene services, this is not an end in itself. I have never been a fan of a pure mathematical approach to evaluating revenue figures for the dentist’s hygiene department. Besides supporting the acceptance of a treatment plan, a hygienist is a crucial factor in creating the atmosphere of caring and familiarity, which is so important to achieving a positive office image and feel. It is the inviting office which receives the referrals, retains its patients, is known for quality treatment and portrays a caring and unhurried atmosphere—and which tends to prosper. 

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This article does not constitute legal advice but is for educational purposes only. The views expressed in this column are those of the writer and not necessarily the opinions of the Chicago Dental Society.
UIC International Dentist Program grads can now earn their DDS degree

The University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) College of Dentistry has created a Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) degree completion program for graduates of the UIC College of Dentistry International Dentist Program (IDP) who received a certificate in the years 1996-2006. Only those who are graduates of the UIC IDP qualify for this program.

The IDP Degree Completion Program requires that former IDP certificate graduates enroll and rematriculate in the UIC College of Dentistry. All former IDP certificate students must complete an application and meet the current admission requirements of the International Dentist Degree Program (IDDP), which succeeded the IDP and grants DDS degrees.

Upon enrollment, the College will provide course-hour credit for courses completed in the IDP certificate program good toward the IDDP (DDS) degree. In addition, enrollees would need to take several courses, including Dental Ethics, Intro to Geriatrics, Intro to Hospital Dentistry, and Comprehensive Care IIIIB. A clinical course to demonstrate competence in treating medically compromised patients using a portfolio is also required.

It is anticipated that IDP graduates would be able to complete the IDDP requirements as part-time students in two semesters. The enrollment period for this degree completion program is limited to 2009 and 2010.

For more information, log on to http://dentistry.uic.edu or contact Braulia Espinosa, Assistant Director for Admissions, Office of the Associate Dean for Student and Diversity Affairs, at 312.355.0320 or bespin1@uic.

Rush University Medical Center’s Preemie Picnic draws attention to special needs of infants born early

More than 600 people who attended Rush University Medical Center’s 34th Annual Preemie Picnic June 22 received a special lesson in oral health with gifts from the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry, the Alliance of the Illinois State Dental Society, and the Chicago Dental Society.

The Preemie Picnic annually brings together the graduates of Rush’s Special Care Nursery (neonatal intensive care unit) to renew friendships with the Special Care Nursery staff and other families, celebrate the lives of their children, and have some fun.

This year, continuing education for young families was a priority at the picnic. Because the baby’s immediate care needs are so numerous when they leave the hospital, healthy habits like dental care are not frequently discussed with new parents.

Numerous educational booths offered materials for the parents and children, including coloring pages, crayons, toothbrushes and toothpaste for the children. The Tooth Fairy also attended the event.
Alpha Omega honors Dr. Laurie Gordon Shaw
CDS member Laurie Gordon Shaw received the first Alpha Omega Foundation Meritorious Service Award June 13 in Vail, CO. Dr. Shaw was recognized for her work on behalf of the Alpha Omega Foundation, especially the Foundation’s auctions.

Laurie graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry, and joined Alpha Omega during her first year there. She served as social chairperson, vice president and president in the Alpha Omega student chapter. Upon graduation, she immediately continued her involvement with the Illinois Alumni chapter, holding every office from program chairperson to president.

She has served at the international level as regent, and is wrapping up a three-year term as member-at-large to the Board of the United States Foundation.

Dr. Lee Graber elected secretary-treasurer of AAO
CDS member Lee Graber was elected secretary-treasurer of the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO), the world’s oldest and largest dental specialty organization.

The AAO is comprised of more than 15,500 member orthodontists in the United States and abroad.

Dr. Graber earned his dental degree, and later a master’s degree in anatomy and a doctorate in human growth and development, from the University of Michigan.

He received his orthodontic education at Northwestern University. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics.

Dr. Graber is a scientific advisor to the CDS Review. He also has served on the editorial boards of the American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics, the World Journal of Orthodontics, Quintessence International, and Adult Orthodontics and Orthognathic Surgery. He has served on the faculties at Northwestern University, Loyola University and the University of Michigan.

Active in organized orthodontics, Dr. Graber is a past president of the Illinois Society of Orthodontists and the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists. He is the immediate past president of the World Federation of Orthodontists, a position he held from 2000-05.

Dr. Graber has lectured throughout the United States, South America, Europe and Asia on topics including craniofacial growth and development, early orthodontic treatment, adult orthodontic care and new treatment technologies.

Dr. Graber is joined in his Vernon Hills practice by his daughter, Katie Graber, and Mart McClellan. The Grabers share a long legacy of orthodontic clinical practice started by Dr. Graber’s father, the late T.M. Graber, in 1946. Dr. Lee Graber lives in Mundelein with his wife, Dr. Jane Graber.

About this event
The Chicago Implant Forum provides a multi-specialty approach to address the challenges of implant dentistry. This unique educational continuum offers the latest in technology and techniques from some of the best known experts in the field. Topics are addressed in a series of presentations to allow for in-depth education in a convenient format.

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September is National Cholesterol Education Month—a reminder to the 65 million American adults with high cholesterol that a few changes in their lifestyles can drastically reduce their risk for heart disease.

The National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute recommends that all adults have their cholesterol measured. Know the numbers and therefore your risk for heart disease, and maintain a healthy lifestyle to keep them both down.

The Institute offers several tools to aid in your transition:

- **A list of nine steps to reducing your risk of heart disease** is available at http://hp2010.nhlbihin.net/cholmonth/tips.htm. Click through some of the links to learn more about reading food labels, calculate your body mass index (BMI) and visit the virtual fitness room.


- **Review the Institute’s list of heart healthy foods and condiments** at http://nhlbisupport.com/chd1/Tipsheets/look-for.htm. They include tips for grocery shopping, too.

- **Download tips for lowering your cholesterol** at www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/heart/chol/chol_tlc.htm. The 84-page booklet explains how to follow a diet that is low in saturated fat, trans fat and dietary cholesterol; increase physical activity; and manage your weight. The guide includes helpful lists and charts, sample menus, a 10-year coronary heart disease risk calculator, and several tips for success.

**Heart research update**

Medical research confirms the importance of a heart-healthy diet and an active lifestyle every day. But if your summer was too busy to keep up with the latest findings, here’s a short refresher course.

**Early intervention is key to controlling cholesterol**

A team of physician-researchers at the University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine says that approaches to lowering cholesterol to prevent heart disease are too little, too late—that instead, we should be altering our lifestyles beginning in early childhood.

The researchers, who published their review in the Aug. 5 issue of Circulation, noted that “instituting a low-saturated fat, low-cholesterol diet in infancy (7 months) is perfectly safe, without adverse effects.”

“Our review of the literature convinces us that more aggressive and earlier intervention will probably prevent considerably more than 30 percent of coronary heart disease,” lipid researcher Dr. Daniel Steinberg, a professor emeritus of medicine, said in a university news release. “Studies show that fatty streak lesions in the arteries that are a precursor to atherosclerosis and heart disease begin in childhood, and advanced lesions are not uncommon by age 30. Why not nip things in the bud?”

Interventions typically begin in adults diagnosed with high cholesterol levels or other risk factors or symptoms of coronary artery disease. However, even if efforts to lower cholesterol in a 50-year-old patient prove successful, it’s unlikely to reverse established arterial disease.

These researchers don’t advocate the
use of drug therapy to achieve low cholesterol levels in the population at large. Instead, they suggest programs to promote lifelong healthy eating and exercise.

**Lower those lipids**

Many patients with cardiovascular disease fail to achieve recommended levels of “bad” LDL-cholesterol and other lipids (blood fats), according to a report published in the July issue of the *American Heart Journal*.

Dr. Nathan D. Wong from the University of California, Irvine, and colleagues examined the extent to which recommended levels of lipids were present in a large sample of U.S. adults.

Among individuals free of cardiovascular disease, 85-89 percent had recommended levels of harmful LDL cholesterol and triglycerides and healthy or “good” HDL cholesterol, the researchers report.

In contrast, less than 40 percent of patients with cardiovascular disease were at goal for LDL cholesterol and non-HDL cholesterol, 35 percent had low levels of healthy HDL cholesterol, and 44 percent had levels of harmful triglycerides above the recommended level.

Overall, only 17 percent of cardiovascular disease patients were at recommended levels for all lipids.

Just over a third of patients with abnormal lipid levels reported being treated with a lipid-lowering drug, the report indicates, though this ranged from 3 percent in patients aged 20-29 years to 51 percent in patients aged 70-79 years, and from 24 percent in those without cardiovascular disease to 63 percent in those with heart and blood vessel disease.

Despite treatment, only 30 percent of these patients were at recommended levels of all three lipids.

“Greater use of proven efficacious dosages of lipid-lowering agents as well as intensified consideration of combination therapy to address those with multiple lipid disorders are required, particularly among persons with cardiovascular and related high-risk comorbidities,” Dr. Wong and colleagues concluded.

**Contrary to claims, soy protein doesn’t lower cholesterol**

Eating foods with soy protein has been promoted as a way to lower cholesterol, but a recent study finds it has no significant effect on cholesterol levels.

The findings “do not support the current health claims for soy protein in a general population,” study author Dr. Peter R.C. Howe, director of the Nutritional Physiology Research Centre at the Sansom Institute for Health Research at the University of South Australia, said in a news release.

He’s referring to the health claims approved for soy foods in both the United States and the United Kingdom that link daily consumption of 25 grams of soy protein to a reduction in heart disease risk through a lowering of LDL, or “bad,” cholesterol.

Dr. Howe’s team studied 35 men and 58 women, average age 52, who had mildly high cholesterol levels. He assigned each participant to rotate through one of three diets for six weeks each. Each diet had varying amounts of soy protein and isoflavones, substances in soy that some experts say may have cholesterol-lowering powers.

Dr. Howe’s team measured each person’s blood cholesterol—LDL, HDL and triglycerides—at the start of the study and after each six-week diet. They found no significant effect of the diets with soy protein on LDL levels.

The findings were published in the August issue of *The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition*.

Dr. Howe’s study was confined to those with mildly high cholesterol; he said it may have an effect on those with higher cholesterol levels. And the soy diets did lower triglycerides, a blood fat, by 4 percent.

However, “there are other benefits to soy foods,” said Dr. Frank Sacks, a professor of nutrition at the Harvard School of Public Health. They are healthy due to high levels of polyunsaturated fats, fiber, vitamins and minerals. But, he added, “forget soy protein for lowering LDL.”
Regional Meeting

NOVEMBER 5
Gary Zalesky
The Passion-driven Practice
CDS Regional Meetings are
9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at Drury Lane,
100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook
Terrace. The presentation is
worth 5 CE hours.

Educational meetings are free to all CDS
members and their auxiliaries, as well as
dental hygienist members of the Illinois State
Dental Society. A $250 fee is charged to den-
tists and their staff who are not ADA mem-
bers, which may be applied to membership
for the current year. Advance registration is
not required, but CDS encourages
you to pre-register online at www.cds.org.

Upcoming events

SEPTEMBER

23: North Side Branch
Lawrence Zager, DDS: Dental Applications of
Cone Beam Volumetric Tomography. Monas-
tero’s Ristorante, 3935 W. Devon Ave.,
Chicago. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.;
Program: 8 p.m. Contact Sheldon Seidman,
312.644.4321 or seidmandds@aol.com.

27: Dental Arts Club of Chicago
Installation of Officers. Park Ridge Country
Club, 636 N. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge.
Cocktails: 6 p.m. Fee: $95 per person. Black
tie optional. Contact Joseph Sodini at
847.318.7681.

OCTOBER

7: Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch
De’Avlin Olguin, DDS, MS, and Lakshmi Boy-
apati, BDS, MS: The Perio-Restorative Inter-
face: Using Perio Procedures to Improve Your
Patient’s Smile. Rumba, 351 W. Hubbard St.,
Chicago. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.;
Program: 8 p.m. Contact Kimberley Golden,
312.372.8784 or kmhgolden@aol.com.

7: North Suburban Branch
Fred Margolis, DDS: Traumatic Injuries to
Tots and Teens. Maggiano’s Little Italy, 175
Old Orchard Shopping Center, Skokie. Cock-
tails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 6:45 p.m.; Program: 7:45
p.m. Contact Susan Graber, 847.729.7711,
drgraberdds@aol.com; or Maria Fe Corpuz-
Bato, 847.336.4321 or smilechicago2@aol.com, for
future dates. Next meeting: Oct. 10

7: Northwest Suburban Branch
Sergio Rubinstein, DDS: Multidisciplinary
Communication for Success in Implant
Dentistry. The Wellington, 2121 S. Arlington
Heights Rd., Arlington Heights. Cocktails:
6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m.
Contact Petra von Heimburg, 847.382.2832
or cprof@aol.com.

14: Englewood Branch
Staff and Professional Development Night.
Nikos’ Restaurant, 7600 S. Harlem Ave.,
Bridgeview. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Meeting:
6 p.m.; Dinner: 7:30 p.m. Contact Aaron
Tucke, 708.423.5990 or atucke@yahoo.com.

14: South Suburban Branch
Political Night: Featuring local political lead-
ers. Idlewild Country Club, 19201 Dixie Hwy.,
Flossmoor. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.;
Program: 8 p.m. Contact Eric Kosel at
708.532.0091 or koseldental@netzero.com.

14: West Side Branch
Guy Petruzelli, MD, PhD: Malignant Tumors
of the Maxilla and Soft Palate. Philanders at
The Carleton of Oak Park, 1110 Pleasant St.,
Oak Park. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.;
Program: 7:45 p.m. Contact Gary Clemens,
708.795.1255 or gclem14714@ameritech.net.

14: West Suburban Branch
Legislators Night. Oak Brook Hills Marriott
Resort, 3500 Midwest Rd., Oak Brook.
Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.;
Program: 8 p.m. Contact Jiten Patel,
630.655.3636 or jitenbp@yahoo.com.

17: Chicago Dental Study Club
A progressive interdisciplinary learning
exchange. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Holiday Inn Chicago
North Shore, 5300 W. Touhy Ave., Skokie.
Contact Forrest Tower at 708.423.0610 or
towerdiver@rcn.com.

Study clubs

MONDAYS

Greater Evanston Dentists Association
Meets first Monday of every month, noon-
1 p.m., Gio Restaurant, 1631 Chicago Ave.,
Evanston. Contact Roger Nouneh,
847.475.7754.

Central Lake County Dental Study Club
Meets third Tuesday of every month at noon,
January-November, Grandma Vs Pancakes,
10 E. Maple Ave., Mundelein. Contact Paul
Showers, 847.816.3636.

THURSDAYS

Chicago Aesthetic Masters,
a Hornbrook Group Study Club
Meets monthly, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the office
of Sheldon Seidman, 410 N. Michigan Ave.,
Suite 1014, Chicago. Contact Sandra Lopez,
312.644.4321 or smilechicago2@aol.com, for
future dates. Next meeting: Oct. 10

FRIDAYS

Uptown Dental Forum
Meets weekly, 12:30-2 p.m., at Sauganash
Restaurant, 4732 W. Peterson Ave., Chicago.
AGD sponsorship approved. Contact Marshall
Dolnick, 773.588.3880.

Waukegan Dental Study Group
Semi-monthly meeting, noon-2 p.m.,
Waukegan Ramada, 200 Green Bay Rd.
Waukegan. Contact Rob Bard, 847.244.0155,
or Rod Morrow, 847.689.1213.
28: Dental Arts Club of Chicago
The Use of Lasers in the Dental Office (A hands-on lecture). Space limited to 40 people. Sponsored by Biolase and held at the Sullivan-Schein Dental Showroom, 501 W. Lake St., Suite 108, Elmhurst. Contact Dave Wojtowicz, dewojtowicz@yahoo.com or 847.933.1855.

NOVEMBER

4: Northwest Side Branch
Michael Higgins, DDS: The Role of Sedation and General Anesthesia in Dentistry. Colletti’s Restaurant, 5707 N. Central Ave., Chicago. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner: 7:30 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. Contact Brett Gilbert, 773.775.3663 or kingendo@sbcglobal.net.

6: West Suburban Branch
Corky Willhite, DDS: Transitional Composite Bonding. Oak Brook Hills Marriott Resort, 3500 Midwest Rd., Oak Brook. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. Contact Jiten Patel, 630.655.3636 or jitenbp@yahoo.com.

7: Illinois AGD—Chicago
Richard Tuttle, DDS: Ultradent Presents En-dodontics for a New Millennium. 8 a.m.–4 p.m. Registration at 7:30 a.m. 7 CE hours. The Hyatt Lodge at McDonald’s Campus, 2815 Jorie Blvd., Oak Brook. For information, contact Maryam Hafezi at 630.400.4938 or hmaryam@yahoo.com.

11: North Side Branch
Mohamed Fayad, DDS, MS, PhD: Root Canals or Implants? Let’s Stop the Debate and Understand the Rationale. Via Veneto, 6340 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. Contact Sheldon Seidman, 312.644.4321 or seidmandds@aol.com.

11: North Suburban Branch
Peta von Heimburg, DDS, JD: Fraud in the Dental Office. Maggiano’s Little Italy, 175 Old Orchard Shopping Center, Skokie. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 6:45 p.m.; Program: 7:45 p.m. Contact Susan Graber, 847.729.7711, drgraberdds@aol.com or Maria Fe Corpuz-Bato, 847.336.3770, mariafecbato@comcast.net.

11: Northwest Suburban Branch

11: South Suburban Branch

11: West Side Branch
Aleks Dabrowski, CLTC: Retirement Planning and Spending. Philanders at The Carleton of Oak Park, 1110 Pleasant St., Oak Park. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 7:45 p.m. Contact Gary Clemens, 708.795.1255 or gclem14714@ameritech.net.

14: Englewood Branch
Christmas Party. Edgewood Valley Country Club, 7500 S. Willow Springs Rd., LaGrange. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Meeting: 7 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m. Contact Aaron Tucke, 708.423.5990 or atucke@yahoo.com.

11: Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch
Charles Greene, DDS: Current Therapies in Treating TMD/TMJ Conditions. Rumba, 351 W. Hubbard St., Chicago. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. Contact Kimberley Bolden, 312.372.7874 or kmhbolen@aol.com.

11: North Side Branch
Tell us about your meeting?
Fax: 312.836.7337 • e-mail: review@cds.org
Include the subject, date, time, location and speaker’s name and degree, as well as the name and phone number or e-mail of your contact person. The CDS Review publishes meeting listings for free as space permits. Only meetings open to all CDS members may be listed. Be sure to send us your information at least 60 days prior to your meeting. Meeting listings will also appear online at www.cds.org/for_your_practice/continuing_education/courses.html.

2: Kenwood/Hyde Park Branch
Donald Kipper, DDS: Access to Care (CDS officers to attend). Rumba, 351 W. Hubbard St., Chicago. Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 8 p.m. Contact Kimberley Bolden, 312.372.7874 or kmhbolen@aol.com.

2: Northwest Side Branch
Holiday Gathering (Family and staff are welcome). Location TBA. Contact Brett Gilbert, 773.775.3663 or kingendo@sbcglobal.net.

9: North Suburban Branch
Nadir Sharifi, DDS, MS: A Huge Surprise in Posts and Cores. Maggiano’s Little Italy, 175 Old Orchard Shopping Center, Skokie. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 6:45 p.m.; Program: 7:45 p.m. Contact Susan Graber, 847.729.7711, drgraberdds@aol.com or Maria Fe Corpuz-Bato, 847.336.3770, mariafecbato@comcast.net.

9: West Side Branch
Don Bennett, DDS: Computer-aided Design and Manufacture of Dental Restorations. Philanders at The Carleton of Oak Park, 1110 Pleasant St., Oak Park. Cocktails: 6 p.m.; Dinner: 7 p.m.; Program: 7:45 p.m. Contact Gary Clemens, 708.795.1255 or gclem14714@ameritech.net.

25: Dental Arts Club of Chicago
Tom Sarna, DDS: Current Topics in Endodontics. Bohemian Crystal Restaurant, 630 N. Blackhawk Dr., Westmont. Contact Dave Wojtowicz, dewojtowicz@yahoo.com or 847.933.1855.
Dr. Lodding practices a different beat

by Rachel Azark

Elgin dentist Dean Lodding has been playing the drums for the past 10 years. “I always wanted to play when I was a kid,” he said.

Finally, he asked himself what he was waiting for and then just decided to do it.

The 1980 graduate of the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry got his first opportunity to play at the 2000 American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry (AACD) Scientific Session, where he was being honored as the incoming president. As soon as Dr. Lodding and a few other dentists heard the meeting’s theme was to be “Celebrating the Revolution of Dentistry,” a plan was hatched to put a band together for one night of entertainment.

“I thought it would be just a one-time deal,” Dr. Lodding recalled. Little did he know the band would grow to 25 people, including four male singers and four female singers. They played high-energy classic rock songs with a dental twist like “Born to Make Smiles” and “Addicted to Teeth.” Fifteen hundred people swarmed the dance floor once the music started.

“It was a hoot! I tried to photograph in my mind that moment,” Dr. Lodding remembered. “The first night was fantastic, a magical moment.”

Since that big night eight years ago, the band has named itself the Matrix Band, after the band that goes around the tooth. They’ve performed nine shows and even recorded a CD in Nashville. The CDs are sold at the band’s shows and all the proceeds go to the Give Back a Smile program to help victims of domestic abuse restore their smiles. Give Back a Smile was established by AACD, an organization to which every band member belongs.

Dennis Wells, a member of the band, has a younger brother who was the lead guitar player for Dolly Parton’s band. Kent Wells, with his musical talent, really brings the band together and also helped them produce the CD.

“He is the most encouraging person I ever met. He tells me, ‘Dean, play it loud and play it proud!’” Dr. Lodding said.

Normally performing one to two times a year during dental events, the band’s tenth show will be at the next AACD meeting in Hawaii in spring 2009. Lately, though, there have been other bands comprised of dental professionals springing up on the East Coast. Even dental manufacturer Biolase has a band.

“I thought we had this unique idea. Now there are dental band wannabes,” joked Dr. Lodding.
Congratulations to Brian Gambla, who was married in May. Brian and his bride, Amber, honeymooned in Hawaii.

Ray Bartz, Bill Petty, John Fredricksen, Bill Heaton, Ken Szafranski, Brad Wright and Tom Remijas traveled to Beaver Creek, CO, for a long weekend of golf in late June.

Speaking of not working, John Fredricksen also found time for a golf trip to Las Vegas, and spent 10 days traveling in Italy with our CDS Treasurer-elect David Fulton Jr. and their respective wives, Trish and Kim. They toured Rome, Montefiascone, Capri and the Amalfi Coast. Throw in his new membership at Prestwick Country Club and you can see John is working hard to fill the void of no CDS duties for the first time in years.

Lastly, I’m sorry to report the passing of two longtime Englewood Branch members, Gerald Scanlan and Zeke Krol.

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**Kenwood/Hyde Park**

Sheree Thompson, DDS

BON VOYAGE! Sharon Lyn-Malinowski was deployed June 16, stateside, to serve our country. She was expected to return in September. We wish her well and look forward to seeing her at our first branch meeting in October.

GREAT FOOD, COMPANY: Kenwood/Hyde Park President Lena Casimir met with the Membership Committee at Opera in Chicago’s South Loop to discuss plans for recruitment and retention efforts to the CDS.

On July 10, Sheree Thompson attended the Trainers Program for the Bright Smiles from Birth program. The seminar was held at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry. Partici-
pents were trained to be presenters to pediatric and family practice offices in Cook and the collar counties. Dr. Thompson looks forward to being a presenter and helping to meet the goal of educating healthcare professionals about early childhood caries and its risk factors.

North Side
David Behm, DDS

Our recently installed president, Daniel Berman, has lined up four terrific dinner meetings. Mark your calendars. The first two are:

Sept. 23:
Lawrence Zager, DDS
Dental Applications of Cone Beam Volumetric Tomography
Monestro’s Ristorante
3935 W. Devon Ave., Chicago
6-9 p.m.

Nov. 11:
Mohamed Fayad, DDS, MS, PhD
Root Canals or Implants? Let’s Stop the Debate and Understand the Rationale
Via Veneto, 6340 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago
6-9 p.m.

A special note: Daniel Berman did an outstanding job hosting the installation brunch at the Walnut Room in Macy’s.
He presented gifts to everyone present and showed great leadership in his role as master of ceremonies.

Cissy Furusho gave birth to a wonderful baby boy, Ryan, in April. Better start saving that college money now!

Lynse Briney and Brent got hitched in September! They honeymooned in Hawaii, on the islands of Kauai and Maui. How romantic!

Jamie Robinson and his wife, Carol, celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary by taking a Mediterranean cruise. They stopped in Italy, France, Greece and Spain. Sounds like they planned one amazing trip!

David Behm and his wife, Donna, traveled through southern Africa, covering Cape Town/Johannesburg, South Africa, and the countries of Zambia and Botswana. They went on several safaris and experienced the very modern and poor areas of the region. It sounds like the trip of a lifetime.

Marv Berman’s 10-year-old grandson Jonah starred in Les Miserables at the Lincolnshire Marriott Theatre. Marv and his wife, Joyce, will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this year. WOW!

Jun Lim and his family toured Vancouver and Seattle. Why is it that Jun always travels in June? We’ll have to ask.

Kevin Andrus earned board certification for oral and maxillofacial surgery. He is now a diplomat of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Congrats!

What’s new with you? Please share your news and photos by sending them to me at westiebrothers@comcast.net or call 773.561.7729.

North Suburban Branch members are looking forward to the first branch meeting of the 2008-09 season, Oct. 7, featuring Fred Margolis, “Traumatic Injuries to Tots and Teens,” at Maggiano’s, 175 Old Orchard Shopping Center, Skokie. Office staff is encouraged to attend. Contact Dorothy Anasinski, 847.685.6686, for reservations.

The 2008-09 Executive Board extends an invitation to North Suburban Branch dentists, classes of 2004-08, to purchase half-price season tickets to the North Suburban Branch 2008-09 Lecture Series. Contact Dorothy Anasinski, 847.685.6686, for additional information and reservations.
**Northwest Side**  
Spencer Bloom, DDS

Gail and Michael Biasiello and their sons, Michael Jr. and Dominic, spent 12 days in Italy over the summer visiting Venice, Rome, Sorrento, Pompeii and other cities. Their daughter, Gina, spent a semester at Loyola's Rome campus. It was Mike and Gail's 25th wedding anniversary. It seemed like a wonderful time for a family vacation, and it certainly was. Mike and Gail also visited Mike's grandparents' home town in Abruzzi and reported that their family is alive and well and very happy to see them. Mike says that the Italian scenery and food are second to none. They can't wait to go back!

Notre Dame High School had its first Alumni Car Club gathering in April. Mike Biasiello has been active with Notre Dame's activities since his graduation days. Dan Janowski and his son, Cameron, attended the show along with Mike and his son Dominic. Up to this point, Mike concentrated on restoring Corvettes with matching numbers. This year would be totally different in that the project car was a 1971 Chevy Camaro Z28. From what Mike says, it was a restoration from the ground up, which took two years to complete. The car is green with racing stripes down the center, which is quite rare. As Mike sees it, this year it was in Niles, but who knows, next year might be in Concours d'Elegance at Pebble Beach!

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**President Profile**

**Maria Fe Corpuz-Bato, DMD | NORTH SUBURBAN**

Dr. Corpuz-Bato earned her Doctor of Dental Medicine degree in 1979 from the University of the East College of Dentistry in Manila, Philippines.

**Family:** Dr. Corpuz-Bato lives in Gurnee with her husband, Fortunato Bato, and her son, John Frinie Corpuz.

**Hobbies:** She enjoys dancing, traveling, playing badminton, going to movies, hiking, singing, gardening and cooking.

**What is the role of branch president?** “The role of the branch president is to make sure the general membership is provided with a great academic program. One should always be prepared to present an agenda to the Board members during the monthly meetings. The branch president should also be able to support organized dentistry by promoting membership and retention by encouraging non-members to participate in branch meetings, and to be able to share information with the general membership regarding legislative issues that might benefit them.”
Tina and William Li are proud to announce that their youngest daughter, Shawna, graduated from Butler University May 10 with her Doctor of Pharmacy degree (PharmD). She has accepted a position with Walgreen’s. Their eldest son, Terrence, a third year neurology resident at State University of New York Upstate (SUNY) Medical University, was awarded the Resident Scholarship Award and the Resident Medical Student Teaching Award June 14, by the Neurology Department. Additionally, he was awarded the Arnold P. Gold Foundation Award for the second consecutive year, selected by SUNY Upstate Medical University Class of 2009 for humanism and excellence in teaching.

In July, Kevin King and Brett Gilbert held an open house for their newly opened office at 6769 N. Milwaukee Ave. Several dozen friends and colleagues stopped by for food and drink and tours of the beautiful, high-tech,
paperless office which features operating microscopes and digital X-rays in all four operatories.

For his 25th wedding anniversary, Larry Rogus took his wife and kids on a 10-day California vacation to Disneyland and San Diego.

Sam Cascio attended the St. Mary’s University of Minnesota Alumni Homecoming in June in Winona. It was the 60th reunion for the Class of 1948. He received his Bachelor of Science degree 60 years ago. Sam served on the Board of Trustees for 10 years at the university. He is a recipient of the Alumni Appreciation Award. He was honored and recognized for his service to the university, and was invited to sit at the president's table at the homecoming banquet.

In May, Kimbra and Spencer Bloom attended the Army Special Forces graduation ceremony of their son, Rocky. In June, Rocky and his wife welcomed their first child, Ryan Israel, who is Spencer and Kimbra's ninth grandchild.

Northwest Suburban
William Perkinson, DDS

The upcoming fall season brings with it many changes and news from the Northwest Suburban Branch.

In July, the Northwest Suburban Branch summer board meeting was conducted with new president Ed Segal. One of the primary goals of this meeting year is to increase attendance at branch meetings. Of course, all members are encouraged to attend—and to bring a non-member guest would be superlative. Another topic of discussion was to have a Sunday brunch for the Installation of Officers. This will be put to a general vote Oct. 7.

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On a more personal note, the Northwest Suburban Branch has an impressive graduation and family to recognize. The Slovick family has a three-generation family tree of dentists. This year at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) College of Dentistry graduation, grandfather Jerome Slovick (Loyola Class of 1952) and father Robert Slovick (UIC Class of 1984) had the honor of hooding Jaclyn Slovick. Even more impressive is the fact that Jaclyn became the ninth dentist in the immediate family, which also includes Margaret Sujack, Jeff Slovick, Ronald Slovick, Beth Pudik (Slovick), Joe Humenik, and Mark Humenik. Jackie has joined her Dad and Aunt Peg in their Schaumburg practice. Congratulations, Jackie!

If you are part of the Northwest Suburban Branch and have any news or photographs for the CDS Review, please contact me at 847.255.7080 or e-mail perkinsonw@yahoo.com.

South Suburban
Joseph Noetzel, DDS

The South Suburban Branch installed its new officers May 3 at Cooper's Hawk Winery in Orland Park. Guests were treated to a specially selected wine tasting and tour followed by a wonderful dinner! Congratulations to newly installed President Spencer Pope, and a very heartfelt “thank you” to outgoing President Loren Feldner. We all thank Loren for a job well done!

Mike Mintz and his wife, Julie, traveled to Prague and Budapest in July. They had a wonderful time visiting all the sites and experiencing the culture. On his trip, Mike ran into a fraternity brother whom he hadn't seen for 25 years. Mike was able to laugh and share memories of his wild days.

Generand Algenio and Eric Kosel attended the ADA New Dentist Committee meeting in New Orleans this past

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June. At the meeting, Eric and Generand shared experiences with young dentists from across America. And Genrand was able to catch up with a cousin he hasn't seen in almost 30 years!

Right after the Midwinter Meeting, Johanna and Robert Manasse flew to Playa del Carmen, Mexico, for the wedding of their daughter, Janny Nicole. A four-day fun-fest with sumptuous food, sparkling turquoise water, beach and sun culminated March 1, when Robert escorted daughter Janny barefoot on the beach for a sunset ceremony. Fellow CDS members James Tharp and Gary Alder were also there to celebrate this wonderful moment with Robert and his family.

One of our dedicated members of the South Suburban Branch and the current CDS president, Todd Cubbon, was a guest speaker at the Third West-East Dental Conference in Warsaw, Poland. Irene Gula was also at the conference. Irene, who has family in Warsaw, acted as an interpreter for Todd at the conference and was a big help!

Our current Branch President, Spencer Pope, and his wife, Lydia, are proud to announce the arrival of their new son, Ian James, born May 19. Ian was 6 lbs. 3 oz. and 18.5 inches long. Both Mom and baby are doing wonderfully. Congratulations, Spencer!

We also congratulate Michael Gideon on the April birth of his third child, Beckett Graham Gideon. Beckett was a scale-busting 9 lbs. 15 oz. We hear the Chicago Bears are already scouting Beckett between naps. Great team spirit, Mike!

If you have any news that you would like to share, please e-mail me at joai71@aol.com.

Our West Side Branch officers for 2008-09 are: Kamal Vibhakar, president; Gary Clemens, vice president; Don Bennett, secretary; John Perna, treasurer; and Frank Orland, librarian.

The Installation of Officers took place May 31 at the Alhambra Palace Restaurant. A wonderful evening—highlighted by our president “giving dancing instruction” to the featured belly dancer of the evening—was shared by all.

This year’s West Side Branch golf outing, held with the West Suburban Branch, took place June 11 at the Old Oak Country Club in Homer Glen. Our PGA “wanna-bes” included Russ Umbricht, Ralph Cress, Keith Sommers, Henry

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**President Profile**

**D. Spencer Pope, DDS, MS | SOUTH SUBURBAN**

Dr. Pope is a 1995 graduate of the Northwestern University Dental School. He earned his specialty in orthodontics and dentofacial orthopedics from Northwestern in 1997.

**Family:** Dr. Pope lives in New Lenox with his wife, Lydia, and two sons, Ethan and Ian.

**Hobbies:** He enjoys cycling, scuba diving, skiing and computers.

**What is the role of branch president?** “The branch president should lead by example and inspire his branch members to contribute to our wonderful profession, whether it is through involvement in organized dentistry, financial contributions to political action committees and dental foundations, time invested in lobbying and developing relationships with our elected representatives, serving on the teaching faculty of dental schools, or in any other way possible. We have the knowledge and the tools to protect dentistry from coercive outside influences, but our members also need the will and determination to act, before it is too late.”
Fung, Gary Alder, Rich Pacelli, and Greg Matke. A perfect day was had by all, as the course was beautiful, the weather ideal, and the scores fantastic.

Our own George Zehak has been a most busy individual. He attended the Northeast Regional Board Meeting in Orlando, FL, June 13-14. He was present for the Illinois State Dental Society board retreat in Utica, IL, July 11-12. He then headed back to Orlando for a meeting of the Illinois Academy of General Dentists, House of Delegates, July 17, as immediate past president of this organization. George gives so generously of his time and expertise in so many capacities, and the West Side Branch is proud to claim him as one of our own.

Joan and Ed Walsh vacationed at their lake home on Lake Paya in the Nicolet Forest, WI, early in July. Ed reports the weather was excellent, fishing good and time spent with family and grandchildren the best.

Monica and Ray Munaretto and twin sons, Alex and Nick, took a small boat cruise through the inner passage of Alaska. The scenery was beautiful and they also have some fish (fishy) stories to tell. Ray reports that Alex and Nick are now enrolled as freshman in the pre-med program at the University of Illinois in Champaign.

Speaking of pre-med, Laura and John Perna’s son, Mike, is also in a pre-med program. Mike will be a sophomore at the University of Wisconsin in Madison this year.

Ruth and Steve Soppet proudly announce the marriage of their daughter, Rachel, to Peter Allport. Rachel and Peter both graduated from Northwestern University’s law school in May, and were married in June. They are studying for their bar exams. After the exam, they plan to honeymoon in South Africa.

Carol Everett and Berta Silva-Lopez headed out west to Seattle to take a course on myotronics. After the course they traveled to Vancouver, BC, and took in the sights.

Ray D’Amico has been spending free time at Racine Harbor, where he has kept his power boat for many years. He also spent time in the Boston area, where he visited with family.

Carol and Ralph Cress have pretty much completed their “place in the country,” their new home away from home. They have 94 acres near the small town of Lena, IL, situated on rolling hills complete with beautiful old growth forests, farmland, a creek and a wonderful panoramic view from their home. Sounds
like a wonderful place to vacate from the everyday pace of big city life!

Yours truly, Chuck Thometz and wife, Sue, ushered in the summer spending nine days in Yosemite National Park. Eleven members from three generations of the Thometz family shared a little togetherness in this splendid masterpiece of nature. Brian Caraba, one of the Thometz clan’s “adopted family members,” spent five days with us in Yosemite.

Also to set the record straight Chuck is still very involved in the active practice of orthodontics. Somehow there was a error in the May/June issue of West Side Branch News stating I have retired. In reality it was my brother, Richard, who retired Dec. 31 after a long and wonderful career in the practice and teaching of orthodontics.

Mark your calendars and reserve time for our branch meetings which will be held the second Tuesday of each month at the Carleton Hotel, with food provided by Philander’s Restaurant. Good programs, good food, good fellowship: plan to be there!

Our president, Kamal Vibhakar, would like to incorporate what he refers to as “care to share” as a part of each meeting—allowing a brief period of time for individuals to relate timely and informative highlights from educational meetings or seminars they have attended.

Finally, on a sad note, the West Side Branch extends its sympathy and condolences to Jack Lieberman on the passing of his father, Sam Lieberman. Sam passed away July 1 at the age of 100 and would have celebrated his 101st birthday in August. The Lieberman family will sorely miss his presence.

Auf Wiedersein for now.
tact numbers can be found online at www.cds.org. (Click the CDS Branches link on the left side of the page. You’ll need your member number and password to access the information.)

In other news, the West Suburban Branch welcomed our new president, James Maragos, during his installation May 13 at Costa’s Restaurant in Villa Park. Outgoing President Patrick Pendleton passed on the gavel, while Installing Officer Dean Nicholas—with his customary reserve and high-brow humor—kept the proceedings moving along. Also installed were a pinstriped Mark Ploskonka, president-elect; dapper Don Kipper, vice president; jovial Brian Del Carlo, secretary; and ebullient Paul Kemp, treasurer.

There was Greek music, excellent food and so many of Dr. Maragos’ relatives on hand that this installation had the festive air of a Greek wedding.

The next day some of our branch members and other CDS members were up before 4 a.m. to attend the Dental Arts Club Annual Fishing Event. Angler-extraordinaires Andy Browar, Mike Lenart, Bob Daszkiewicz, Bob Dutka, Jim Bryniarski, Rich Bona, Wally Dudek Jr., Keith Petranek as well as...
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University of Illinois, 2003  
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Bock, Derek J.  
Tufts University, 2003  
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West Side Branch

Choi, Jennifer Y.  
University of the Pacific, 2002  
2020 N. California Ave., Chicago  
North Side Branch

Cross, Patrick C.  
Loyola University, 1993  
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Darling, Eugenie G.  
University of Costa Rica, 1980  
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South Suburban Branch

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University of Illinois, 1985  
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Emani, Sreekanth R.  
New York University, 2006  
2316 W. Madison St., Chicago  
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Evans, Meredith W.  
University of Michigan, 2006  
2536 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago  
North Side Branch

Fisher, Stephanie K.  
Southern Illinois University, 2008  
1700 W. Foster Ave., Chicago  
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Gilsdorf, Bret B.  
University of Nebraska, 2005  
908 S. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville  
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Hamper, Patrick M.  
Southern Illinois University, 2008  
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University of Illinois, 2008  
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Joyce, Kristen M.  
Marquette University, 2008  
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Khan, Irfan  
The Ohio State University, 2008  
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Kotsiopoulos, Peter J.  
Northwestern University, 1992  
135 W. Johnson St., Palatine  
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McDonald, Jason S.  
Case Western Reserve University, 2008  
434 W. Ontario St., Chicago  
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Marquette University, 1985  
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Nguyen, Quoc L.  
New York University, 2004  
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Loyola University, 1982  
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University of Iowa, 1989  
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Platson, Kyle M.  
University of Michigan, 2008  
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University of Illinois, 1999  
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University of Illinois, 1989  
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Volk, Tonya, M.  
University of Nebraska, 2005  
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Northwest Suburban Branch

Warren, Israel J.  
University of Illinois, 1984  
5406 W. Devon Ave., Chicago  
Northwest Side Branch

Waters, Julie D.  
Indiana University, 2007  
7716 W. 26th St., North Riverside  
West Side Branch

Yong, Tony H.  
Southern Illinois University, 1992  
714 S. Butterfield Rd., Mundelein  
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Lieberman, Samuel Z.  
Chicago College of Dental Surgery, 1931  
9242 Gross Point Rd., Skokie  
West Side Branch

Scanlon, Gerald P.  
University of Illinois, 1959  
6436 S. Pulaski Rd., Chicago  
Englewood Branch

Semiloff, William  
Northwestern University, 1943  
8 Court of North Corner, Northbrook  
North Side Branch

Silberberg, Daniel F.  
Chicago College of Dental Surgery, 1950  
545 S. River Rd., Apt. 501, Des Plaines  
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your correspondant were reeling in some great salmon on the waves of Lake Michigan off Zion.

The post-cruise land excursion included a lunch on shore of the aforementioned freshly-caught salmon, sponsored by our grill-stoking landlubber Dave Wojtowicz.

On June 11, West Suburban Branch members and guests enjoyed the Annual Golf Outing at The Old Oak Golf Club. There were prizes, a raffle and a barbecue lunch. If you missed it, don't despair. Planning is already underway for the 2009 golf outing.

Held June 24, was the West Suburban Planning Board Meeting, at James Maragos' home. Ordinarily, this might not be a newsworthy event—not even for the considerable amount of thought that goes into every decision. However, the West Suburban Branch Board was impressed by the culinary aptitude of the Maragos family. Thanks to Jim's wife, Mary, a nurse practitioner by day, as well as sons Michael (attending the University of Miami in Coral Gables, FL), Nick (starting DePaul Law School) and Andrew, a high school junior.

Congratulations on the move to new dental offices for Branch Director Bill Kleiber and partner/spouse Diane Kleiber. Also congrats to Bob Shananan on his new office space.

Finally, the West Suburban Branch has 60 tickets for one of the last White Sox games, Saturday, Sept. 27, at noon. They'll take on Cleveland and kick off our dental season. Call our dinner chair, Dottie Mackie, to determine availability.

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GENERAL FAMILY DENTIST: PT/FT in high-tech and state-of-art facility in NW suburbs. Excellent opportunity and growth potential to develop in all phases of dentistry within our established group practice. Must work some evenings and Saturdays. Fax resume to 847.426.5964.

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ASSOCIATE—GENERAL PRACTICE IN North Central Illinois. Experienced staff, excellent growth potential. Looking for a motivated dentist to practice quality dentistry in our fun, friendly atmosphere. Income potential: $100,000. No PPO/HMO. Send resume to kathyapa@comcast.net.

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FULL-TIME GENERAL DENTIST: A modern practice in northwest suburb seeks full-time general dentist. Prior working experience is preferred due to high volume. Compensation based on 35% of production. Potential of making $200,000 plus. E-mail resumes to busydental@hotmail.com.

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ORTHODONTIST NEEDED for one to two days a month, flexible north suburban Lindenhurst, fast growing community. New grads welcome. A very nice practice. Send resume/inquiries to bgniadek20@aol.com.

ASSOCIATE DENTIST: Established group practice is looking for a caring, energetic dentist for our Bloomingdale location. Our well-trained and experienced staff has the practice administration and clinical skills to complement your commitment to excellence. Established and growing patient base, dedicated employees and proven practice administration for over 30 years. This is an outstanding opportunity for an enthusiastic and motivated dentist. Fax resume/CV to 630.539.1681.

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GENERAL DENTIST: Crystal Lake general dental office is looking for a part-time associate with good clinical and communication skills willing to perform all phases of dental treatment. This is a great opportunity to work in a high-tech office with a friendly staff. Please fax resumes to 815.444.8890.

PART-TIME ASSOCIATE: Rapidly growing state-of-the-art dental office located in the far western suburbs is looking for the right person to join their team. Great opportunity. New grads welcome to apply. Please fax your CV to 630.554.9545.

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Be positive. Keep a friendly smile at all times and use positive and encouraging words when discussing the dental visit.

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Battle of the titans

by Walter F. Lamacki, DDS

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is the first of a two-part series examining the origins of the CDS coalition political arrangement. Part two follows on page 52.

Dr. Arthur Black, son of G.V., was his father’s successor as the second dean of Northwestern University Dental School. Arthur was a force in ADA politics and a key figure of the 1903 merger of the American Dental Society with the Southern Dental Society. A further reorganization in 1913 established Trustee Districts and Constituents, an arrangement devised by Black—essentially the same managing system in place today. He topped it off by literally selecting ADA’s first executive secretary (today’s executive director). Dr. Black founded the Index of Dental Literature and was its editor for 24 years.

Dr. William H.G. Logan was a renowned oral surgeon and he too was the second dean of his school, The Chicago School of Dental Surgery. Dr. Logan succeeded his father-in-law, Dr. Truman Brophy. Drs. Brophy, Logan and C.N. Johnson owned the school, lock stock and barrel, ultimately selling the school to Loyola University in 1923. Dr. Logan’s innovations in the surgical treatment of cleft-palate were ground breaking. Dr. Logan served as ADA president, in 1917-18. (C.N. Johnson also served as ADA president, in 1924-25.)

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Chicago, at the turn of the 19th century, was the acknowledged center of international dentistry. The three dental schools—Northwestern University Dental School, The Chicago College of Dental Surgery and the University of Illinois College of Dentistry—were universally admired and respected. Besides the celebrated G.V. Black, the schools could boast faculty of J.N. Crouse, Edmund Noyes, Edgar Coolidge and many others.

Although Drs. Black and Logan worked together to organize an efficient society and advance dental education, they became competitive over who would control the Mid Winter (today we spell it Midwinter) Meeting. The MWM was the jewel in the crown of dentistry, attracting the best and brightest clinicians in dentistry.

Dr. Black and his former students controlled elections by sheer numbers, until Dr. Logan asked in the grand tradition of Chicago, “Where’s mine” or as Mike Royko suggested for Chicago’s motto... Ubi Est Mea. For some unknown reason U of I stayed above the fray.

Elections were hotly contested, with former students of the two titans packing the meetings. On more than one occasion, meetings were held in the wee hours of the morning. Separate trains chartered by the two groups took their supporters to Peoria (state dental society headquarters then) to vote for state wide candidates. Dr. Black’s group took the clever name The Members, while Dr. Logan’s adopted The Petitioners, the precursor of today’s Independent Organization. Eventually an election landed in court.

In 1938 CDS’s nominating commit-
The aftermath of the agreement, called coalition, did not eliminate “future strife and contention” as Judge Otto Kerner Sr. hoped; it just added a veneer of respectability to what amounted to barroom brawls. The coalition agreement contained a poison pill, a blackball provision permitting a group to “knock-off” another’s candidate; it became a weapon of retribution to settle old scores and was used frequently. Candidates were denied office for the flimsiest reasons: signage that was too large, perceived alcohol abuse, an “inappropriate” wife, one’s association with a “fallen angel” and just plain bias. It was harder to understand the Machiavellian machinations of party elections than Middle East politics.

When I joined a party in 1963, the winds of wrath had waned but not completely. I remember one distasteful election evening when three qualified candidates from one party were turned down. But eventually reasonable heads prevailed as the blackball all but disappeared. The rise of third party plans and the intrusion of government in doctor-patient relations were catalysts that drove the parties together.

CDS is big business and the system did produce the needed strong leadership, vetted by a rigorous committee structure and the election of branch directors. Successful Midwinter Meetings are a byproduct of the friendly competition between the officers.

However, there are nigging problems with the coalition. The membership of the three parties is little more than 300 total, not elected by anyone, to be de facto electors of CDS officers. The membership of the groups has been static for a decade, despite vigorous recruitment initiatives. There is no pragmatic road to the presidency for a member without a party affiliation.

The coalition has not fashioned a diverse officer corps; only three African-Americans served as president, one of whom was a woman and to date the only woman president. Although a number of women have served on the Board of Directors, the natural path to the presidency, none have sought election to the officer corps, perhaps sensing a glass ceiling. All of the African-American directors of CDS have come from one branch, Kenwood/Hyde Park. In fact, almost all of our African-American members are in that branch. Latinos are invisible. David Kumamoto will be installed as the 2009 president, but Asian-Americans aren’t really at the table. CDS membership hovers around 70 percent of the market, especially lagging in the recruitment of women and minorities. You only have to look at the make-up of dental school classes to realize that the future face of dentistry will be different than that of today’s CDS leadership.

I believe it’s time to study the coalition, dispassionately. Can we do better? Can we be more inclusive? Can we continue to attract the best and brightest? Our MWM is internationally admired; we must change to reflect the multiplicity of the profession if we are to prosper.

I am not suggesting throwing out the baby with the bath water. Nor am I calling for election by the general membership; representational governance is efficient. The groups should not disband, but after 70 successful years all organizations must study why they are and how they can continue to be for the 21st century. Just as the best time to advertise is when your business is flourishing, strategic planning is best accomplished when an organization is not in the save our ship mode. IBM reinvented itself; it no longer makes PCs. Is it any less successful?

But the main question is, does our current political system encourage participation by members of the parties and non-members? This is a question that I believe deserves an answer and I hope CDS will form a committee to seek that answer.

Sometimes we love the solution to a problem so much that we keep the problem.

SPECIAL COMMENT: I am indebted to CDS Past-President Irwin Robinson for his historical perspective of this event in the March 2001 Vox Pop section of the CDS Review, which I have freely quoted here. Further, the late Karl Richardson’s history of coalition in the 125th anniversary issue of the CDS Review was an invaluable resource.
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- Diane Kleiber, 2010-11
- Mark Sloan, 2009-10
- Program Chair
- Jiten Patel, 2008-09

### ACADEMIC CHAPTER
- Board of Directors
  - Brian Baptist, President, 2008-09
  - Mital Spatz, President-elect, 2008-09
  - Ashley Harrington, Secretary, 2008-09

## Standing Committees

### CDS BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- **Officers**
  - David Kumamoto, President, 2009
  - Michael Stablein, President-elect, 2010
  - Ian Elliott, Secretary, 2011
  - John Gerding, Vice President, 2012
  - David Fulton Jr., Treasurer, 2013

- **Branch Directors**
  - John F. Moore, Englewood, 2010
  - James Robinson, North Side, 2009
  - Susan Becker Doroshow, North Suburban, 2010
  - Mary Stasiak, Northwest Side, 2009
  - Theodore Boris, Northwest Suburban, 2010
  - Philip Schefke, South Suburban, 2011
  - Donald Tuck, West Side, 2011
  - William Kleiber, West Suburban, 2009
  - Walter Lamacki, Editor, 2009

### ACCESS TO CARE
- Michael Santucci, Chair, 2009
- Richard Perry, Vice Chair, 2010
- TBA, Secretary, 2011
- Jeffrey Chandler, Englewood, 2010
- Edward Schaaf, Kenwood/Hyde Park, 2011
- Steven Steinberg, North Side, 2009
- Gregory Jacob, North Suburban, 2010
- Christine Hyhcorzuk, Northwest Side, 2011
- Steven Banks, Northwest Suburban, 2009
- Robert Smith, South Suburban, 2009
- Carol Everett, West Side, 2011
- Timothy Robieson, West Suburban, 2009

### CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP
- Michael Stablein, Chair, 2009
- Michael Durbin, 2009
- Patrick Hann, 2009
- Barbara Mousel, 2009
- Dean Nicholas, 2009
- Edward Segal, 2009
- Terri Tiersky, 2009
- Audra Knapp, 2009
- Edward Segal, 2010
- John Gerding, 2010
- Ian Elliott, 2010
- Sharon Szeszycki, 2010

### DENTAL BENEFITS
- Richard Bona Jr., Chair, 2009
- Tisa Szremeta-Browar, Vice Chair, 2010
- TBA, Secretary, 2011
- Peggy Richardson, Englewood, 2010
- Jack Liu, Kenwood/Hyde Park, 2011
- Howard Spector, North Side, 2009
- Maria Fe Corpusz-Bato, North Suburban, 2010
- Michele Bogacki, Northwest Suburban, 2010
- Petra von Heimburg, Northwest Suburban, 2009
- Ronald Waryjas, South Suburban, 2010
- George Zehak, West Side, 2010
- Mark Ploskonka, West Suburban, 2009

### RELIEF
- Bernard Sullivan, Englewood, 2010
- Mark Robinson, Kenwood/Hyde Park, 2010
- Jeffrey Kramer, North Side, 2010
- Robert Krueger, North Suburban, 2011
- Gordon Zois, Northwest Side, 2010
- John Dzakovich, Northwest Suburban, 2010
- Wayne Helge, South Suburban, 2009
- Edward Walsh, West Side, 2009
- Sharon Szeszycki, West Suburban, 2009

### SPECIAL EVENTS
- James Ridlen, Chair, 2009
- Constantine Politis, Vice Chair, 2010
- James Frett, Secretary, 2011
- Glenn Bailey, 2011
- Sheri Doniger, 2009
- Thomas Schneider Jr., 2010
COURSE COMMITTEE
Glenn Bailey, Englewood, 2010
Kathryn Bielic, Englewood, 2010
Alexander Haralamopoulos, Englewood, 2011
Robert McNicholas, Englewood, 2009
Robert Michel, Englewood, 2009
Yetta McCullom, Kenwood/Hyde Park, 2011
Patrick Smith, Kenwood/Hyde Park, 2009
Boncie Washington, Kenwood/Hyde Park, 2010
William Feingold, North Side, 2009
Arnold Goot, North Side, 2010
John Hagopian, North Side, 2009
Lisa Kearney, North Side, 2011
Sheldon Seidman, North Side, 2010
Matthew Davis, North Suburban, 2010
Walter Heinlein, North Suburban, 2009
Mark Humenik, North Suburban, 2009
Martin Rogers, North Suburban, 2010
David A. Williams, North Suburban, 2011
Spencer Bloom, Northwest Side, 2011
Michele Bogacki, Northwest Side, 2010
Denise Fisher, Northwest Side, 2011
Chester Klos, Northwest Side, 2009
Loretta Luksha, Northwest Side, 2010
Sam Bassali, Northwest Suburban, 2011
Tina Smith-Arino, Northwest Suburban, 2011
Scott Smoron, Northwest Suburban, 2011
Walter Flor, South Suburban, 2011
Susan Founds-Biegel, South Suburban, 2011
Robert Moll, South Suburban, 2010
Carol Everett, West Side, 2011
Michelle Jennings, West Side, 2009
Martin Karwowski, West Side, 2011
Rick Alwan, West Suburban, 2009
Philip Girgis, West Suburban, 2009
John Milgram, West Suburban, 2010
James Sheldon, West Suburban, 2011
Kastytis Zymantas, West Suburban, 2011

COURSE DIVISION
Michael Biasiello, Chair, 2009
John Kozal, Vice Chair, 2010
Phillip Fijal, Secretary, 2011

ENTERTAINMENT
Dean Nicholas, Chair, 2009
Sharon Lyn-Malinowski, Vice Chair, 2010
Hugo Bertagni, Secretary, 2011

EXHIBITS
Donald Kipper, Chair, 2009
Bruce Gronner, Vice Chair, 2010
John Schmeda, Secretary, 2011
John Bonaguro, 2011
Sam Ciccarelli, 2010
Richard Szatkiewicz, 2009

GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS
Vickie Grandinetti, Chair, 2009
Richard Caraba, Vice Chair, 2010
Robert Manasse, Secretary, 2011
Donald Bennett, 2010
Richard Mantoan, 2011
Mark Robinson, 2009
Bernard Sullivan, Englewood, 2010
Sharon Lyn-Malinowski, Kenwood/Hyde Park, 2009
Harry Melnick, North Side, 2009
David Lewis Jr., North Suburban, 2010
Thomas Schneider Jr., Northwest Side, 2009
Steven Banks, Northwest Suburban, 2011
TBA, South Suburban, 2011
Edward Walsh, West Side, 2010
James Discipio, West Suburban, 2011

GENERAL CHAIR
Louis Imburgia, Chair, 2009
George Zehak, Vice Chair, 2010
Terni Tiersky, Secretary, 2011

LECTURE DIVISION
Samuel Grandinetti, Chair, 2009
Andrew Browar, Vice Chair, 2010
Loren Feldner, Secretary, 2011

LIMITED ATTENDANCE DIVISION
Maharukh Kravich, Chair, 2009
Michael Cascio, Vice Chair, 2010
Michael Higgins, Secretary, 2011

PROGRAM CHAIR
James Bryniarski, Chair, 2009
Cheryl Watson-Lowry, Vice Chair, 2010
Michael Durbin, Secretary, 2011

REGISTRATION & CREDENTIALS
Robert Banks, Chair, 2009
Mark Ploskonka, Vice Chair, 2010
James Frett, Secretary, 2011
Kimberley Bolden, 2010
Vickiann Chrobak, 2010
Dan Hilo, 2009
Nils Sandstrom, 2011
Alan Shapiro, 2011
Salvatore Storniolo, 2009

SPOUSE LUNCHEON
Nancy Machnowski, Chair, 2009
Marilyn Bonaguro, Vice Chair, 2010
TBA, Secretary, 2011
Leona Bryniarski, 2009
Jyl Bonaguro, 2010
Courtney Elliott, 2011

TABLE CLINIC DIVISION
Steven Kumamoto, Chair, 2009
Denise Hale, Vice Chair, 2010
Ronald Waryjas, Secretary, 2011
Ryan Molis, Englewood, 2010
Todd Molis, Englewood, 2009
Noreen Salmon, Englewood, 2009
Jeffrey Walker, Englewood, 2011
Kimberley Bolden, Kenwood/Hyde Park, 2009
Lena Casimir, Kenwood/Hyde Park, 2009
Jack Liu, Kenwood/Hyde Park, 2011
Henry Moore, Kenwood/Hyde Park, 2011
Stephen Gordon, North Side, 2009
Genaro Romo Jr., North Side, 2009
Joseph Toups, North Side, 2010
Amy Van Fossen, North Suburban, 2011
James Benz, North Suburban, 2011
Yendis Gibson-King, North Suburban, 2011
Maria Fe Corpuz-Bato, North Suburban, 2009
Peter Neuhaus, North Suburban, 2010
Joseph Fornal, Northwest Side, 2010
Martin Piekos, Northwest Side, 2011
Timothy Thilfer, Northwest Side, 2009
Jeffrey Wittmus, Northwest Side, 2011
Daniel Greising, Northwest Suburban, 2011
James Pastika, Northwest Suburban, 2009
Antonino Romano, Northwest Suburban, 2010
Victoria Ursitti, Northwest Suburban, 2010
Anthony Ilardo, South Suburban, 2011
Alfred Kosel, South Suburban, 2009
Eric Kosel, South Suburban, 2009
Christopher Seidel, South Suburban, 2011
James Bryniarski, West Side, 2009
Timothy Thilfer, West Side, 2011
Russell Umbricht, West Side, 2011
Susan Zelazo-Smith, West Side, 2009
Douglas Chang, West Suburban, 2010
Paul Kempf Jr., West Suburban, 2009
Stephen Sum, West Suburban, 2010
Daniel Weber, West Suburban, 2011

VIP RECEPTION
John Gerding, Chair, 2009
Thomas Machnowski, Past President, 2009
John Fredricksen, Past President, 2010
H. Todd Cubbon, Past President, 2011

VIP SPOUSE LUNCHEON
Diane Kleiber, Chair, 2009
Johanna Manasse, Vice Chair, 2010