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Ben Shair Award Winner Announced

Members of the SDDS celebrated with this year's winner of the Dr.
Bernard Shair Award on March 10, 2011 at The University of Scranton. Caitlin McCarthy, a Biology and Biomathematics major, with a minor in Biochemistry and English, won the prestigious award. She will be attending the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine on a Dean's Scholarship.

McCarthy currently resides in Scranton with her parents Deborah and Kevin McCarthy. She has two other siblings, Matthew Keating and Brianna McCarthy.

She is a Presidential Scholar at the University of Scranton and was Valedictorian of her graduating class at West Scranton High School. She currently serves as Vice President of the University's Math Club, assists in its Writing Center, is a member of the Health Professions Organization, and participates in the Faculty Student Research Program. In summer 2010, McCarthy took part in the President's Fellowship for Summer Research and

studied abroad in Guyana with the International Service Program.

She holds membership in the following honor societies: Alpha Sigma Nu (the National Jesuit Honor Society), Beta Beta Beta (the National Biology Honor Society), Alpha Lambda Delta, Pi Mu Epsilon, and Sigma Tau Delta. She is involved in the University's literary publication, ESPRIT, and is a member of the University's Honors Program. In her spare time, McCarthy volunteers at Moses Taylor Hospital with the Elder Life Program and works as a Physical Therapy Aide at Allied Services.



Dr. John Mariotti talks with Bernard Shair Award Winner Caitlin McCarthy before the meeting.



Dr. Mark Giallorenzi, winner Caitlin McCarthy, Dr. Todd Angelo, and Dr. Matthew Zale take a moment for a photo.

President's Dinner

By now, you should have received your invitation to this year's Presidential Dinner honoring Dr. Mark Giallorenzi. It will be held on Saturday, April 16th at the Colonnade in Scranton. Please be sure to send in your R.S.V.P. if you haven't done so already. The evening is sure to be another great time.



2010 SDDS President, Mark Giallorenzi D.M.D

Yankee's Game

Our annual Yankees baseball game will be held Saturday, May 21st at 6:35 p.m. The Yanks will play the Indianapolis Indians. If you'd like to attend, please contact Dr. Gary Wadsworth at 342-9246. Tickets will be released on a first come, first served basis.



From the President

Spring has arrived, and as we move into warmer, longer days it is nice to highlight recent events and anticipate upcoming activities. Under the direction of Doctors Stephanie Hanyon and Jessica Falk, the SDDS completed a most successful NCDHM campaign. The numerous events throughout the month brought a significant amount of awareness to the dental needs of young individuals in the area, as well as positive exposure of the role the SDDS plays in meeting those needs in the community. I would like to personally thank our Co-chairs and the many individuals who made an effort to participate this year.

We look forward to the President's Dinner on April 16th, in which Dr Mark Giallorenzi will be honored for his service. I hope to see as many members as last year, which was a memorable evening and a great success.

Other activities on the horizon include the Yankees baseball game in May, the Lackawanna County Medical Society Health Fair in June, as well as the annual golf outing.

I would like to finish by recognizing Dr. Charlie Potter for his efforts to provide the SDDS with quality continuing education courses over the past three decades. He, along with Dr. Joe Gronsky, Dr. Frank Denoia, and Dr. Bill Marchese have worked to arrange the speakers, provide a meeting place, distribute CE credits, and complete a host of other tasks.

The courses have been an outstanding success and have been well received by members of our society. It is through their efforts that the SDDS has been able



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to not only exist, but to grow and prosper. Thank you on behalf of myself and the all of the members of the SDDS!

Sincerely,

Todd M. Angelo, DMD

Third District November Meeting

Mark your calendars for the Third District Continuing Education Course on November 11, 2011 at the Woodlands. The speaker will be Dr. Gary Jones, oral surgeon from Temple University's Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry. He will discuss emergencies that often occur in the dental office. Come and support the Third District, led by Luzerne County's Dr. Larry Shire.

Budget Hearings for Fiscal Year 2012 Underway

While the Senate is still wrestling with legislation extending current funding for the federal government through 2011, the House has begun its work on the 2012 budget, with a series of hearings planned.

The ADA is lobbying for a number of funding provisions, including adequate funding for federal dental programs that promote prevention and rebuilding of the public health infrastructure. We are also strongly opposed to proposals to fund training and employment of alternative providers. For more information contact Judy Sherman at 202-789-5164 or govtpol@ada.org.

NEWS FROM THE ADA

ADA Washington Leadership Conference, May 9-11, 2011

Dentists from across the nation will converge in Washington D.C. for the ADA's annual Leadership Conference, from May 9-11, 2011, at the Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill.

There will never be a better time to talk with Pennsylvania's Congressional delegation about health care reform and funding for dental programs in your communities. It is particularly important for us to establish relationships with Sen. Patrick Toomey and the new Congressional members.

Help us achieve our advocacy goals at the federal level and have fun hearing from political pundits and others in "the know."

For more information and to register for the conference, go to https://www.ada.org/ada/events/wlc/wlc_index.aspx.

House of Representatives Approves 1099 Relief Bill

The House of Representatives passed ADA-backed legislation (H.R. 4) to repeal the 1099 business tax reporting provision contained in the health care reform law. The vote was 314 to 112. Nearly 3,000 ADA members, responding to an action alert the association sent to them, had contacted their lawmakers to urge them to pass the bill.

The ADA and others contend that the requirement as interpreted in the health reform law—that dentists and other small employers file IRS 1099 forms for exchanges of goods or services valued at \$600 or more in a year—did not reflect the intent of Congress.

The vote, closely following a similar action by the Senate, signifies the last of the major hurdles for this bill. The two versions of the legislation now go to a House/Senate conference where differences will be worked out. When negotiators agree on a final measure it will go to the president for his signature.

Upcoming Events

President's Dinner	Colonnade	April 16, 2011	7:00 p.m.
Board Meeting	Jilly's	April 25, 2011	6:30 p.m.
W-B/Scranton Yankees Game	PNC Stadium	May 21, 2011	6:35 p.m.
Third District CE Course	East Mountain Inn	Nov 11, 2011	8:00 a.m.

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