



## Dr. Gary Kopesky: New CE Chair



*Dr. Gary Kopesky, Chairman of SDDS Continuing Education*

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Gary Kopesky of Hamlin Dental Center will be serving as the new Chairman of the Continuing Education Courses for the Scranton District Dental Society. He is following in the footsteps of Dr. Charlie Potter, who recently retired from the post he held for numerous years. Dr. Kopesky has put together a CE program for 2012 which is in the tradition of SDDS quality speakers. He looks forward to building and growing this already successful program.

Dr. Kopesky came back to his roots after living in the Pittsburgh area where he attended the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine. He earned his Doctor of Dental Medicine in 2001 and served as Class President, received the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Research Grant Award, and was a member of the American Student Dental Association.

A University of Scranton graduate, Dr. Kopesky graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology and was a Presidential Scholar and Fellowship Award Winner.

Dr. Kopesky believes strongly in continued post-graduate education. He has completed the Dawson Academy Core Curriculum, learning the skills necessary to provide the utmost in functional and esthetic dentistry for his patients. Additionally, he is a certified Cerec provider.

Dr. Kopesky resides in Tafton, PA with his wife Jackie and their five children. He enjoys many outdoor activities and is an avid University of Pittsburgh Football Fan.

### Did You Register for 2012 CE Courses?

If you haven't already registered to take advantage of the "early bird" discount, you still have time. As long as you get your registration form and payment to Dr. Gary Kopesky, Route 191 Box 340, Hamlin, PA, 18427, by December 15, 2011, you'll receive the discount. For a copy of the CE flyer and more information, go to [www.scranton-dental.org](http://www.scranton-dental.org) and scroll down to the bottom of the home page. Click on "Continuing Dental Education 2012 Series."

Wednesday, 1/18/12

"Complete Dentures"

Dr. Michael T. Waliszewski

Wednesday, 2/15/12

"Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office"

Dr. Michael Cuddy

Wednesday, 3/28/12

"Achieving Excellence in Treating & Counseling the Oncology Patient"

Sandra Booty

Wednesday, 4/18/12

"Update on Caries, vital pulp therapy, picking a ceramic, cements: sorting through the boxes"

Jan Mitchell

### Winter Meetings

Remember that our winter meetings will be held at the University of Scranton in Brennan Hall's Rose Room. Complimentary parking is available in the University parking garage accessed via Mulberry Street. A campus map is available on our web page, [www.scrantondental.org](http://www.scrantondental.org). Please note that the dress for all general meetings is business casual.

Our first meeting of the new year, featuring Dr. Spurill, is scheduled for January 17, 2012. As always, the general meeting is open to all SDDS members and dinner is complimentary. Please let Dr. Amy Cravath know if you'll be attending by either calling 570-586-1411 or emailing at [abcravath@yahoo.com](mailto:abcravath@yahoo.com).

# From the President

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As we have reached the holiday season, we conclude yet another successful year at the SDDS. I would like to take a moment to thank all of the individuals I have worked with and met during the past year.

It has been an honor serving as the President, and I am thankful our members are so dedicated to engaging our community and promoting dental awareness. It has been a rewarding experience that helps me to appreciate just how fortunate I am to be in our profession.

I wish our current President-Elect, Dr. Matt Zale, and his board the best of luck and much success in 2012! Please have a safe, healthy and happy holiday with your family and friends!

Sincerely,

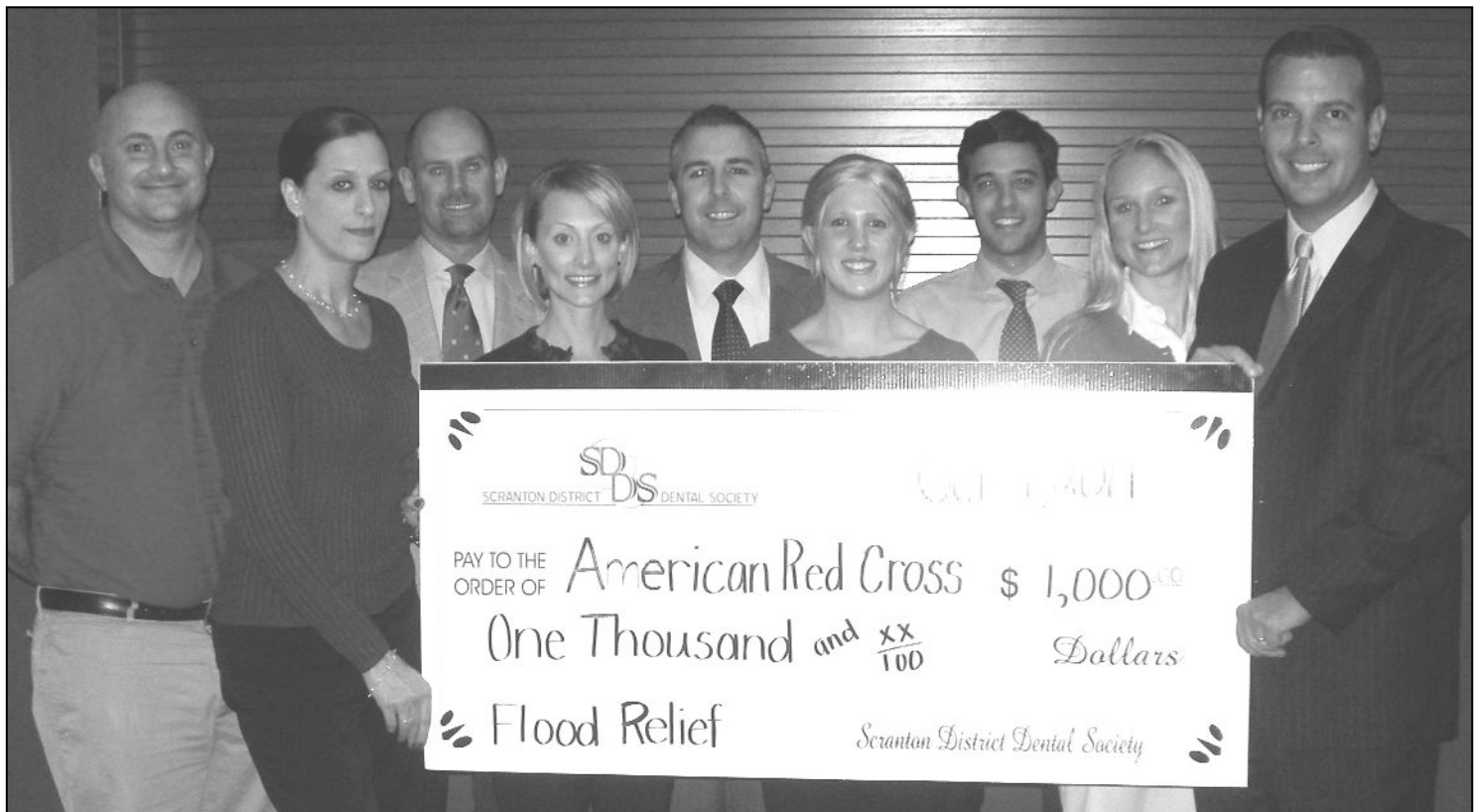
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## SDDS Donates \$1000 to Local Red Cross

The Scranton District Dental Society during our annual meeting on Tuesday, October 4th, donated \$1,000 to The American Red Cross of North East Pennsylvania for local flood relief. According to Maria Giordano, Red Cross Chief Operating Officer, The Red Cross used the donation to purchase 50 clean-up kits for area residents struck by the flood. To date, over 3,800 kits have been distributed.



*(L to R): Brian Wrightson, Director of Emergency Services for The Red Cross; Maria Elisa Giordano, Red Cross Chief Operating Officer; Dr. Christopher Kotchick, SDDS; Dr. Jessica Falk, SDDS Treasurer; Dr. Gary Kopesky, SDDS Vice President; Dr. Rebecca Schaefer, SDDS; Dr. J.R. Karam, SDDS Secretary; Dr. Amy Cravath, SDDS; and Dr. Todd M. Angelo, SDDS President.*

# Upcoming Events

CE Course <i>"Complete Dentures"</i>	Inn at Nichols Village	Jan 12, 2012	8:00 a.m.
General Meeting Dr. Spruill	U of S – Brennan Hall Rose Room	Jan 17, 2012	6:30 p.m.
CE Course <i>"Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office"</i>	Inn at Nichols Village	Feb 15, 2012	8:00 a.m.
General Meeting	U of S – Brennan Hall Rose Room	Feb 21, 2012	6:30 p.m.
General Meeting Ben Shair Award	U of S – Brennan Hall Rose Room	March 20, 2012	6:30 p.m.
CE Course <i>"Achieving Excellence in Treating &amp; Counseling the Oncology Patient"</i>	Inn at Nichols Village	March 28, 2012	8:00 a.m.
CE Course <i>"Update on Caries, vital pulp therapy, picking a ceramic, cements: sorting through the boxes"</i>	Inn at Nichols Village	April 18, 2012	8:00 a.m.
President's Dinner	Colonnade	April 28, 2012	7:00 p.m.

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