



SCRANTON DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY

March 2013

Another Successful NCHDM

Chalk up another great year for National Children's Dental Health Month. Special thanks to new Chair Dr. Kady Schloesser and the dedicated doctors who helped by attending the events, speaking at area schools, and delivering bags. Thousands of children were served throughout the month.



A crowd of 75 kids gather at the Scranton Children's Library.



Anthony and Alex Hanyon, sons of Dr. Stephanie Hanyon, proudly show off their face paintings at the Scranton Children's Library.



Dr. J.R. Karam watches the magic of Dr. Brian Kerr with his son, Jackson.



The children have a great time making creations with the Tooth Fairy and Ronald.



McDonald's and SDDS representatives enjoy the Tunkhannock event. L to R: Beth DelSanto, McDonald's, Dr. Matt Zale, SDDS, Christina Muller, McDonald's, Dr. Fred Lally, SDDS, Esme Schloesser, Dr. Kady Schloesser, SDDS, and Tooth Fairy Lisa Reeves.



Kicking off the day at the Keyser Avenue McDonald's are Dr. Matt Zale, Dr. Jessica Falk, Dr. Amy Cravath, Ronald, Christina Muller, Bob Kollra, and the Tooth Fairy Lisa Reeves.

March's Meeting:

Ben Shair Award/Todd M. Angelo Memorial Scholarship Presentation

Don't miss this year's combined Dr. Bernard Shair Award and Dr. Todd M. Angelo Memorial Scholarship Presentation to be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at The University of Scranton's DeNaples Center, Room 405.

The Ben Shair award is a cash gift funded by the SDDS and an endowment fund founded by the family of Dr. Bernard Shair (who passed away in 1982) and administered by the Scranton Area Foundation. It is presented to a University of Scranton student who has been accepted by a dental school and shows tremendous promise in the field of dentistry.

The Dr. Todd M. Angelo Memorial Scholarship is a cash gift funded by the SDDS, The Scranton Area Foundation, and private donations in memory of Dr. Todd Angelo, an SDDS President who unexpectedly passed away. The scholarship is administered by the Scranton Area Foundation. Future donations for the scholarship can be made to the Foundation in Dr. Angelo's name to continue its growth. It is presented to a University of Scranton student who has been accepted by a dental school and who shows tremendous promise in the field of dentistry. This award serves as a reflection of Todd's dedication, service and love of dentistry.

On-campus, complimentary parking is available at the parking pavilion, 820 Mulberry St. on the roof. As always, dinner is complimentary for members. Please reserve your spot by calling or emailing Dr. J.R. Karam, 570-963-7700 or drjkaram@gmail.com.

February's Board Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Dr. Justin Burns

The Executive Board meeting met February 4, 2013 at Carl Von Luger's Steak House. Attendees included: Doctors Justin Burns, Amy Cravath, Jessica Falk, J.R. Karam, Kristen Paoli, Kady Schlosser, Matt Zale, and Marketing Coordinator Cindy Cox.

Continuing education courses are ongoing, but attendance has decreased from prior years. It was suggested that more comprehensive topics be added next year. Some ideas were to include hygienist topics, as well as anesthesia. Any other ideas or suggestions would be appreciated.

The society by-laws are still being amended and must conform to ADA by-laws. This is a long, ongoing process and your patience is appreciated.

There will be a SDDS outing at the new PNC field Kost pavilion. The date is Sunday, June 23rd with a game time at 1:05 pm. It is a family

fun day which will include a run on the field for the children, face painting, concourse activities, and much more. Food will be served until 1:30 so plan to come early. The cost is \$10 per person for SDDS members and family, \$29 for non-members. RSVP by May 20th to Dr. Kristen Paoli.

Golf outing is on Wednesday, June 19th. Same format as prior years. We will all attempt to increase the number of vendors present to offset the cost of the event.

The remainder of the meeting was focused on developing a budget for the SDDS. This was a very time consuming process and many thanks to Jessica Falk for making it as easy as possible. We believe that we developed a budget that is fair, feasible and a good model for many years to come.

The next executive meeting is on March 4th at Tiffany's Restaurant in Eynon. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

The New PNC Field Awaits You!

Plans are underway for an exciting SDDS event at the new PNC Field. Join us as the Railraiders take on the Norfolk Tides on Sunday, June 23, 2013 at 1:05 PM in the KOST Party Pavilion. Gates open at noon with food served and activities occurring around the stadium. Be sure to come early since food will only be served until 1:30 PM. There will be a host of family activities including:

- Field run
- Face painting
- Concourse activities

Tickets are \$10 per person for

SDDS members & family/\$29 for non-members.



Be sure to RSVP by May 20, 2013, however tickets will be given on a first come, first served basis. To reserve your spot, send your check (made payable to SDDS) to:

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License Renewal Time Biennial Renewal of Licenses and Certificates in 2013; Now is the Time to Check Your Continuing Education Credits

By: Col. Edmund D. Effort, D.D.S.

If you are a licensed dental health professional you can be sure of three things . . . death, taxes, and continuing education requirements! No one can say for sure when the first will occur, but we all know that taxes are due every year and that a specific number and type of continuing education credits are required as a condition of the biennial renewal for your professional licenses, permits and certificates to practice in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Credits must be completed during each biennial license period.

The intent of this regulation is to assure that Pennsylvania's dentists, dental hygienists and EFDAs maintain our skills, preserve our ethical and professional integrity, and keep abreast of the almost daily changes taking place in our beloved profession. To achieve the goal of such regulations, the required CE credit hours must be completed in subjects that contribute directly to maintaining clinical competence in the fields of dentistry, dental hygiene, public health dental hygiene, and expanded function dental assisting. Examples include: diagnosis and treatment of oral pathosis, clinical and technological subjects, emergency procedures (excluding hours required for CPR certification), infection control, abuse and neglect, medical and scientific subjects, laws and regulations pertinent to dentists, dental hygienists and EFDAs. Courses in non-clinical subjects, which may be helpful in other aspects of practice, are excluded from the list of approved subject areas and will not count towards CE credit requirements for re-licensure. Examples include: office management,

billing and practice building, among others.

Specific requirements for Dentists

- Dentists must complete 30 hours of continuing education each biennial period to maintain their license to practice dentistry.
- Note: Dentists who do not hold a permit to administer anesthesia who maintain offices where general anesthesia, deep sedation and/or conscious sedation is administered to their patients by a permit holder or another regulated practitioner, must complete 5 hours of continuing education in courses relating to general anesthesia, deep sedation and/or conscious sedation.
- Specific requirements for Dentists who hold an Anesthesia Unrestricted or Restricted Permit I
- Dentists who hold an Anesthesia Unrestricted Permit must complete 15 of the required 30 hours of continuing education in courses related to general anesthesia, deep sedation and/or conscious sedation.
- Dentists who hold an Anesthesia Restricted Permit I must complete 15 of the required 30 hours of continuing education in courses related to conscious sedation.
- Specific requirements for Dental Hygienists
- Dental hygienists must complete 20 hours of continuing education each biennial period to maintain their license to practice dental hygiene.
- Dental hygienists may complete no more than 3 of the required 20 hours of continuing education in courses relating to communication skills.
- Dental hygienists holding local anesthesia permits must complete 3 of the required 20 hours of CE in courses related to the administration of local anesthesia, including pharmacology or other related courses.
- Public health dental hygiene practitioners must complete 5 of the required 20 hours of CE in public health-related courses.

First Baby Born



Dr. Matthew A. Zale, SDDS past President (left), presents Amelia and Brian Gagne (Dickson City) parents of Mya Sophia Gagne, with a sterling silver "First Tooth" case.

As part of the SDDS month-long celebration of NCDHM, we present the first baby born during February with a special gift. Dr. Matthew A. Zale, immediate past President, presented a sterling silver "First Tooth" case to baby Mya Sophia Gagne, daughter of Amelia and Brian Gagne. Baby Mya Sophia, born at the Family Birthing Suites at Moses Taylor Hospital on February 1st, officially kicked off our celebration.



President's Dinner Dance

Invitations are in the mail for the President's Dinner on Friday, April 5, 2013. This year's dinner in honor of outgoing President Dr. Matthew Zale will be held at the Radisson in Scranton and will feature dance lessons by professional Vince Brust. If you haven't done so already, please forward any photos of you or your friends practicing dentistry to Dr. Zale (mattzale1@gmail.com) so we can include in our multi-media presentation.

Upcoming Events

Board Meeting	Tiffany's	March 4, 2013	6:00 PM
Ben Shair/Todd M. Angelo Awards Dinner	U of S DeNaples Rm 405	March 19, 2013	6:30 PM
CE Course <i>Dr. Carl Driscoll</i>		March 27, 2013	8:00 AM
President's Dinner	Radisson	April 5, 2013	6:00 PM
CE Course <i>Dr. Howard Glazer</i>	Inn at Nichols Village	April 17, 2013	8:00 AM
Golf Tourney	Scranton Country Club	June 19, 2013	TBA
General Meeting	U of S Brennan Hall Rm 509	Sept. 17, 2013	6:30 PM
General Meeting	U of S Brennan Hall Rm 509	Oct. 15, 2013	6:30 PM

2013 CE Courses

Wednesday, March 27, 2013

Dr. Carl Driscoll: Restoration of the Complex
Denture, Fixed and Implant Patient

Wednesday, April 17, 2013

Dr. Howard Glazer: What's Hot and What's
Getting Hotter? (Implants/ Restorative Dentistry)

Important Reminder for Pennsylvania Dentists

By John F. Erhard, D.D.S.

Licensed dentists in Pennsylvania are obligated to verify that all employees/associates who are required by law to hold active licenses in the Commonwealth (dentists, dental hygienists, and EFDAs) possess current, active licenses, and display those licenses openly in the office.

Licensure can be verified electronically at www.licensepa.state.pa.us