



SCRANTON DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY

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January's Meeting Featuring Dr. Jessica Falk

Start the New Year off right by attending January's general meeting on Tuesday, January 20th at 6:30 p.m. at the Radisson.

You won't want to miss hearing featured speaker Dr. Jessica Falk, who has been practicing Orthodontics with Dr. John Gershey for the last year. She will be speaking on the lack of fluoridated water in our area and the detrimental effects she has observed in the time she has been practicing in our area.

Dr. Falk, a native of Lebanon, PA, is a graduate of the University of Scranton, Temple University School of Dentistry and is a former Dr. Ben Shair Award Recipient. She is a Board Certified Orthodontist.

Dr. Falk will be discussing the pros and cons of a public fluoridated water supply and update the Society on Pennsylvania House Bill 1649, which has recently been presented to the Pennsylvania Assembly. Bill 1649 would require all water supplies serving more than 500 Pennsylvanians to be fluoridated.

Dr. Falk will also review the current ADA dosing recommendations for fluoride supplements being prescribed in a non-fluoridated area, as well as review the many fluoride products available to the dental practitioner and to the public.

Be sure to reserve your spot for the complimentary dinner and featured speaker by calling, faxing or e-mailing

Dr. Mark Giallorenzi (346-7301 – phone, 570-346-7575 – fax, or markgiallo@comcast.net – e-mail). We look forward to seeing you there!



Dr. Jessica Falk (pictured) will speak on the pressing issue of water fluoridation and Bill 1649 at January's meeting. Please join us for this informative discussion.

Happy New Year!

We wish you, your family, and all at your practice a healthy, happy, and prosperous New Year!

Ben Shair Award To Celebrate 25th Anniversary

Help us celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Dr. Bernard Shair Award by attending the ceremony on Tuesday, March 24, 2009 at the Radisson. To make the occasion even grander, we will be inviting past recipients of this special honor to be our guests.

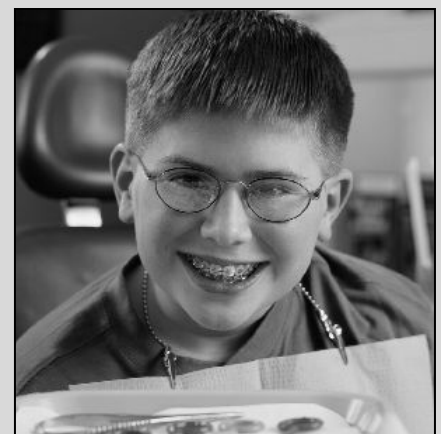
The Ben Shair award is a cash gift funded by the SDDS and an endowment fund founded by the family of Dr. Bernard Shair (who passed away in 1982) and administered by the Scranton

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 student is one who gives the greatest promise of a lifetime of service to dentistry and community—a lifetime of dedicated professionalism, humanitarian concerns and social welfare service, as exemplified by Dr. Shair. Don't miss this exciting event.

Children's Dental Health Month

This year's National Children's Dental Health Month is shaping up to be another grand success. Anyone wishing to help should contact Dr. Todd Angelo. He can be reached by calling 570-342-3556 or e-mailing at tma1843@yahoo.com.



CE Courses

Don't forget to mark your calendars for 2009's Continuing Education Courses!

Wednesday, 1/21/09

"Porcelain Veneers: The Prep vs. No Prep Controversy...The Whole Story!"
Dr. Steven Weinberg

Wednesday, 2/18/09

"Drugs, Herbals, Nutraceuticals: New Issues for Dentistry"
Dr. Richard Wynn

Wednesday, 3/11/09

"Neck, Back, and Beyond: Preventing Pain for Peak Productivity"
Bethany Valachi, PT, MS, CEAS

Wednesday, 4/8/09

"Peridontics 2009 and Beyond"
Dr. Tat F. Chiang

FREE COURSE IF YOU
TAKE ALL FOUR:

Saturday, 5/9/09

Bowser Memorial Lecture:
"Substance Abuse", Pittsburgh, PA

ADA Asks FTC For Economic Guidance

Washington—The Association in a policy communication with the Federal Trade Commission called for further antitrust guidance on provider collaborations while cautioning against "unnecessary, unhelpful, untimely" government regulation of health care quality information.

The ADA staff-to-FTC staff communication has implications for government health policymakers.

The ADA offered four broad recommendations: avoid one-size-fits-all policy proposals; consider the widely-accepted benefits of self-regulation; provide additional guidance on antitrust-compliant provider collaborations; consider using the Commission's consumer protection authority to examine the risks of insurer-driven provider rating efforts.

"We look forward to working with FTC staff to address these important issues as the Commission's inquiry moves forward."

For the full article go to ada.org.

2009 Officers Elected

Congratulations to our newly elected officers. We appreciate your service and wish you a successful year.

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From The President

It is my great honor to be the President of the Scranton District Dental Society for 2009.

I have enjoyed my other positions on the board and at the PDA. Review of the list of past presidents indicates that our beginnings were in 1919. I will try to build upon the endeavors of those who served before me.

I am fortunate to succeed Chris Kotchick. He is very organized and should be congratulated for a very successful year. Our membership grew by several new members, who have chosen to become active within the dental society.

I would like to recognize some of our fellow members who have already been working towards making next year a great one.

Charlie Potter has arranged for another year of our well attended continuing education series. Gary Wadsworth has booked the Yankees baseball event. Joe Perotti has pledged to serve as our golf chairman. Todd Angelo is diligently organizing Children's Dental Health Month. Mark Giallorenzi has



Dr. Joseph T. Kelly Jr.

scheduled our upcoming general meetings and arranged for our speakers and programs.

2009 promises to be a successful year through the continued support of our volunteer membership. Thank you to all who are helping to represent our profession.

Best Wishes for a
Happy New Year,
Joseph T. Kelly Jr., D.M.D.

Upcoming Events

General Meeting <i>Jessica Falk</i>	Radisson	January 20, 2009	6:30 p.m.
CE Course	Inn at Nichols Village	January 21, 2008	8:00 a.m.
Board Meeting	Faccia Luna	January 26, 2009	6:30 p.m.
CE Course	Inn at Nichols Village	February 18, 2009	8:00 a.m.
Board Meeting	Faccia Luna	February 23, 2009	6:30 p.m.
CE Course	Inn at Nichols Village	March 11, 2009	8:00 a.m.
General Meeting <i>Ben Shair Award Dinner</i>	Radisson	March 24, 2009	6:30 p.m.
Board Meeting	Faccia Luna	March 30, 2009	6:30 p.m.
CE Course	Inn at Nichols Village	April 8, 2009	8:00 a.m.
SDDS President's Dinner	Colonnade	April 11, 2009	TBA
PDA 142nd Annual Session	Hotel Hershey	April 23-26, 2009	8:00 a.m.
Board Meeting	Faccia Luna	April 27, 2009	6:30 p.m.
CE Course	Pittsburgh, PA	May 9, 2009	8:00 a.m.
Scr/W-B Yankees Game	PNC Park	May 15, 2009	6:00 p.m.
Golf Outing	SCC	June 2009	TBA

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