

SCRANTON DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY

October 2019

ARC Festival Donation



Holiday President's Dinner is Back!

We are pleased to announce that our Holiday celebration honoring past presidents, Doctors Charles Scrimalli and Kurtis Wadsworth, is scheduled for Friday, December 13, 2019 at Posh in Scranton. Please join us as we thank these two, past-presidents for their dedicated service to our society.

Invitations will be in the mail shortly so please RSVP as soon as you can. Cocktails begin at 6:30, dinner at 7:30. We hope to see you there!

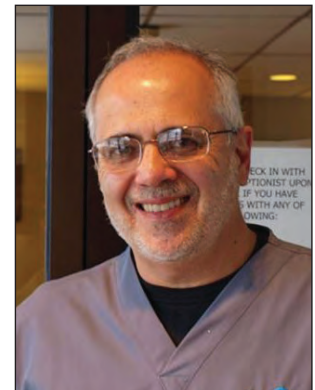


L to R: Kristen Haefele, ARC Board Member; Hunter Polishan, ARC Self-Advocate; Pauline Burke, ARC Self-Advocate; Mari Pizur, ARC Manager of Recreation Services; Theresa Salerno, ARC Self-Advocate; Patrick Quinn, ARC Director of Operations; Dr. Patrick Hayes, SDDS; and Dr. Charles Scrimalli, SDDS Board Chairman.

During ARC's "Family Fun Fall Festival" at Waldorf Park September 15th, Dr. Charles Scrimalli, Board Chair presented ARC with a check for \$1,000. This was the third installment of a 3-part donation to this worthwhile organization. This year, the SDDS donated a total of \$3,500.

"The Scranton District Dental Society looks forward to partnering with ARC each year in our support of National Children's Dental Health Month in February.

With ARC's help, we are able to educate and provide over 8,000 community children with dental health bags filled with toothbrushes, toothpaste, coupons, and educational material. ARC's clients happily assemble these bags and we are grateful," states Dr. Scrimalli. Dr. Scrimalli also has a band, East Coast Trio, that along with The Wannabees, have performed for ARC's Family Fun Fall Festival for the past 11 years.



October's Meeting

Join us on October 15th at the University of Scranton's Brennan Hall as Jason Clapper of Ivoclar Vivadent provides a glimpse into established and new dental materials and techniques. He will focus on the clinical application and technique to better improve efficiencies and long term success for you and your patient.

As always, attendance at our general meetings is complimentary and includes the speaker, dinner, and pre-dinner cocktails. Please let Dr. Samantha Abod know that you're coming by calling her at (570) 342-3556 or emailing at abod@qmaortho.com.



2020 CE Courses Reminder

Don't forget to reserve your spot at the 2020 CE courses. By doing so before December 31, 2019, you SAVE on registration! Go to <https://www.scrantondental.org/ce-courses/> to register on line. You can pay there, too. Questions? Contact Dr. Joseph T. Kelly, Jr. at (570) 587-4787 or drkellyjr@gmail.com.

Wednesday, January 15, 2020 -

"Prevention and Management of Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office" John Brewer

Wednesday, February 12, 2020 -

"Feel Good Dentistry: Enjoy Your Practice And Feel Better About Yourself And Your Work. A 'Sane' Approach To Esthetic Restorative Dentistry" Steven Weinberg

Wednesday, March 11, 2020 -

"Geriatric Dentistry: The Fastest Growing Demographic in Dentistry" Lou Graham

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Morning - *"Medically Complex Patients"*

Afternoon - *"Frequently Prescribed Medications"* Tom Viola

For 2020 CE Course materials and to register online go to Scranton District Dental Society's website at www.scrantondental.org or register by postal mail.



Third District Annual Meeting and CE Course

Registration is open for the 3rd District of the PDA Annual Meeting and Continuing Dental Education Program. There will be 2 pertinent courses: One on Dental Sleep Medicine and the other on HIPPA Security Risk Analysis.

PLEASE NOTE: Last year there was a waiting list so it is asked that you register promptly as this program will fill up quickly. Dental Sleep Medicine is a fast growing area of the dental practice and there are new practice parameters for dentists. Also, the HIPPA Security Risk Analysis needs to be done annually, as required by the Office for Civil Rights.

When registering for these courses, four things are required

- 1) Your name exactly as it appears on your PA dental license
- 2) Your complete and full PA License number (example DS012345L, DHO12345L)
- 3) Your Date of Birth
- 4) Your current Contact Information – A) Address B) Phone Number C) Email address. For staff, their information (not your office) is required

TO REGISTER: Call Bob Albrecht at 717-579-1347 or email at balbrecht@dentalservices.net with the above information. Cost is \$125 per PDA member dentist; \$375 per non-PDA member dentist; \$75 per PDA member staff member. Please note that if you volunteered at MOM-n PA, your registration is complimentary.

Third District To Host PDA Annual Meeting

Be sure to attend Pennsylvania's Dental Meeting on Saturday, April 25, 2020 right here in our back yard... at the AAA Four-Diamond Mount Airy Casino Resort in the scenic Pocono Mountains! The meeting will include social events on Friday and Saturday evenings; an exhibit hall; plus CE Sessions on:

- Local Anesthesia
- The Science of Medical Marijuana
- Child Abuse Recognition and Reporting for Dental Professionals
- Pain Management Alternatives and Identification of Addiction

For more information, contact **Rebecca Von Nieda** at (800) 223-0016, ext. 117. Registration opens October 1, 2019!

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Dr. Kurt Wadsworth

Minutes

Submitted by Immediate Past President, Chuck Scrimalli

- A board meeting was held at Russell's on September 5, 2019. Present for the meeting were Darleen Oleski, Cindy Cox, Chuck Scrimalli, Jack Erhard, Chris Kotchick, Kurt Wadsworth, Jessica Falk, JoEllen Drosinski, Thomas Langan, and Tim McGurrin.
- A representative from the Ronald McDonald House (RMDH) attend the start of the meeting to take a photo for RMDH marketing and public relations. This was to thank the Dental Society for its years of dedication and donations.
- The meeting was officially called to order at 6:45.
- Dr. Scrimalli opened with an invitation for docs to discuss the response they got from calls to non-renewals. He also mentioned the PDA app and possibly having members attain Allscript through PDA with a \$50 set up fee and \$30/month/doctor.
- Dr. Erhard spoke about the dental licensure procedure and potential delays that can happen. The delays are occurring at PALS and not the state board, so that is the entity that needs to be contacted if you are experiencing a longer than usual delay in receiving your dental license. Also mentioned was ACT 41, which now allows for easier transfer of licensure from state to state.
- Cindy Cox reminded the board that our by-laws state that the nomination of new officers has to be in place by the October general meeting. Cindy has also been in contact with Colette from Jewish Family Service, who has thanked SDDS for all their help this past year, but they are still in need of more volunteers. With the help of our board recently, Colette has applied for funding through the ADA Foundation, which will hopefully be used to better pay our dentist volunteers.
- Dr. Falk gave a Treasury report stating that the balance on our account is as expected at this point.
- Dr. Oleski gave a PDA government Relations report. Our State Legislature is just coming back from recess so we have little news at this time. She also wants to remind everyone about the PDA Congress which will be held in Harrisburg on October 26th. All PDA members are encouraged to sign up and attend.
- Dr. Drosinski reports that the President's dinner this year will be held at Posh on December 13th, as she has been working with Samantha, Cindy, and other board members on what promises to be a fun event.
- Dr. Kotchick reminded everyone about the Third District meeting and CE event which will be held at the Mohegan Sun on November 1st.
- The board once again expressed their thanks to Dr. Kotchick and Dr. Grossman for all their hard work in making Mom-n-PA such a great success.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:45.

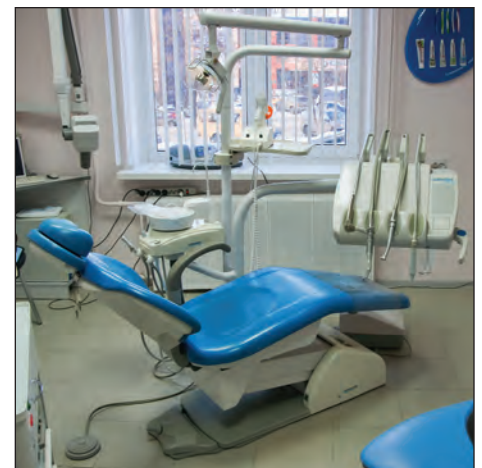
Special Notice Regarding New Law Requiring Electronic Prescriptions

Department of Health Now Accepting Applications for Temporary Exemptions

Per Act 96 of 2018, practitioners, excluding veterinarians, will be required to issue electronic prescriptions for Schedule II-V controlled substances beginning on October 24, 2019. The Department of Health is currently in the process of promulgating regulations in accordance with the act.

While the Department of Health works to promulgate regulations, it is accepting petitions for temporary exemptions from the requirements in Act 96. These temporary exemptions are subject to approval by the department and preliminary in nature, pending final publishing of regulations as stated in Section 11(b.6) of the act.

For more information about the application process, please email RA-DHEPCS@pa.gov directly. To find out more about the new law, contact PDA's government relations team at (800) 223-0016 or check out PDA's website (padental.org).



Upcoming Events

General Meeting	U of S Brennan Hall	Oct 15, 2019	6:30 PM
PDA Congress	Harrisburg	Oct 26, 2019	8:00 AM
Third District Annual Mtg	Mohegan Sun Casino	Nov 1, 2019	8:00 AM
President's Dinner honoring Chuck Scrimalli & Kurt Wadsworth	Posh	Dec 13, 2019	6:30 PM
CE Course <i>Prevention and Management of Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office</i>	Radisson Hotel	Jan 15, 2020	8:00 AM
General Meeting	U of S	Jan 21, 2020	6:30 PM
CE Course <i>Feel Good Dentistry: Enjoy Your Practice and Feel Better About Yourself and Your Work</i>	Radisson Hotel	Feb 12, 2020	8:00 AM
General Meeting	U of S	Feb 18, 2020	6:30 PM
CE Course <i>Geriatric Dentistry: The Fastest Growing Demographic in Dentistry</i>	Radisson Hotel	March 11, 2020	8:00 AM
Ben Shair/Todd Angelo Awards Dinner	U of S	TBD	6:30 PM
CE Course <i>A.M. Medically Complex Patients P.M. Frequent Prescribed Medications</i>	Radisson Hotel	April 1, 2020	8:00 AM
PDA Annual Meeting	Mt. Airy Resort & Casino	April 25, 2020	TBD