

# SCRANTON DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY

December 2022

## In Person General Meetings to Resume



Mark your calendars for the return to in-person meetings! 2023 promises to be a great year of camaraderie, learning, and fun.

Join us at AV Restaurant, 320 Penn Avenue, Scranton, on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 and Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 6:30 pm for hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, dinner, and dessert. Watch your inbox and Facebook page for details on the topics!

## Welcome Dr. Kristen Frantz

The SDDS is proud to welcome Dr. Kristen Frantz to our close-knit Society! Dr. Kristen Frantz received her DMD from Temple University Kornberg School of Dentistry in 2016 graduating at the top of her class. There, she was inducted into Omicron Kappa Upsilon honor society. She was a recipient of numerous honors including Dean's Scholarship, Julia Moran Scholarship and Kramer Award. After dental school, Kristen completed a dual-specialty program receiving certificates in both Periodontics and Prosthodontics from the Eastman Institute for Oral Health in Rochester, NY. She

also received a Master of Science Degree for her research involving dental implant overdenture attachment systems. During her residency, she received several awards including the Gerald N. Graser award at the American Association for Dental Research for Outstanding Clinical Case Series, as well as Best Clinical Case Presentation at the American Prosthodontic Society. Kristen is excited to be back close to family and friends in Northeastern, PA. She joined her Dad, Bryan Frantz DMD MS, and Thomas Langan DMD MS in private practice in Dunmore, PA. Her husband, Brendan Matthews, is in an oral



and maxillofacial surgeon and they have a daughter, Madison, who brings them much joy!

# President's Dinner a Success

It was a pleasure to honor past presidents Samantha Abod, Thomas Langan Jr., and Mary Grace Rizzo Fryzel Friday, October 28, 2022 at AV Restaurant. Guests enjoyed hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, dinner, and a delicious dessert. Mark your calendars for the upcoming general meetings to be held at AV in 2023!



## President's Letter

Is it really that time of year?! What a wonderful fall for all of us here in the northeast. With the holiday season upon us, let us reflect and be thankful for our health and opportunity to practice this profession amongst a great group of colleagues. Thank you to all who attended this year's events in record numbers.

I would like to thank everyone for supporting the Scranton District

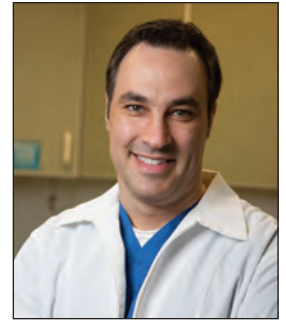
Dental Society, and special thanks to all board member of past and present that I had the pleasure serving alongside. I send my best wishes to Dr. Bill Dempsey as he presides over the society in 2023. I would also like to welcome all the new dentists to the area, and we as a society look forward to growing relationships with you.

I am truly thankful for having served as your president this past

year. Have a blessed holiday season and cherish the time with family and friends.

Best wishes to all!

Alphonse Matrone, DMD  
SDDS President



## NCDHM Plans Underway!

Dr. Alesia Walsh, this year's chair of National Children's Dental Health Month, is pleased to announce that we will be preparing giveaway bags for the 2023 celebration. We are looking for dentists and their hygienists to visit area daycares and schools. If you or a member of your staff are interested and would like complimentary bags, please email Dr. Walsh at [dralesia@sproutdental.com](mailto:dralesia@sproutdental.com) or call her office at 570-253-0358 ASAP. She is trying to determine an accurate number of bags. Bags will be given away on a first-come, first-served basis.



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# Upcoming Events

<b>Continuing Education Course</b> <i>"So Easy, A Prosthodontist Can Do It"</i>	Radisson Lackawanna Station	Jan 18, 2023	8:00 AM
<b>Third District Board Meeting</b>	Westmoreland Club	Jan 18, 2023	6:30 PM
<b>Continuing Education Course</b> <i>"Treating the Medically Complex Patient"</i>	Radisson Lackawanna Station	Feb 15, 2023	8:00 AM
<b>Continuing Education Course</b> <i>"Oral Pathology Review and Update"</i>	Radisson Lackawanna Station	Mar 15, 2023	8:00 AM
<b>Ben Shair/Todd Angelo Dinner</b>	AV Restaurant	March 15, 2023	6:30 PM
<b>Continuing Education Course</b> <i>"OSHA / Infection Control for the Dental Professional, Radiation Safety Overview For Pennsylvania Dental X-ray Operators, Child Abuse Recognition and Reporting"</i>	Radisson Lackawanna Station	March 24, 2023	8:00 AM
<b>PDA Annual Meeting</b>	Normandy Farms, PA	April 28-29, 2023	8:00 AM
<b>Vacation CE</b>	Grand Hyatt, MD	June 15-17, 2023	8:00 AM
<b>ADA Annual Meeting</b>	Orlando, FL	Oct 5-7, 2023	8:00 AM

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