The ADA House of Delegates met in San Francisco from September 4 to September 8. The Annual Session serves to guide our organization forward, keeping it relevant to our members. The meeting works to protect the profession so that our members can continue to practice as they wish.

Many of the resolutions debated involve policies that the ADA is directed to embrace and promote. These include the practices of insurance companies, state and federal regulations, license issues and specialty recognition. Some of the key issues resolved were:

- **A study was approved to consider a specialty recognition for “special patient and geriatric dental care.”**
- **The ADA was tasked with formulating a policy on cannabis use.**
- **The policy on tobacco use will be updated to include the practice of vaping.**
- **A resolution was presented to make votes by the ADA trustees confidential. In an effort to main-

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The ADA Division of Legal Affairs was directed to create a document on what a dentist needs to know when reviewing business service agreements with DSOs.

• The Elder Care Committee was authorized to continue its work another year but was charged with returning a comprehensive strategic elder policy including Medicare and presenting it to next year’s House.

• The New York State Dental Association (NYSDA) was successful in submitting its own resolution. This resolution directs the ADA to develop a screening protocol for pediatric airway issues for use by dentists.

• A major issue that was addressed by the House was the financial sustainability of the organization for the generations to come. To that end, the Council on Membership was tasked with streamlining the dues structure and addressing the shrinking portion of our membership that are paying full dues. They proposed eliminating the 25% discount for active life members, reducing the gradual phase in for dues of new dentists from five years to two and recommending an annual dues increase, linked to the CPI. After much debate, the House felt that this plan spread the financial pain at both ends of the membership spectrum and approved it.

The House also decides on leadership of the organization. We saw Dr. Chad Gehani of Queens County Dental Society sworn in as president of the ADA. Second District Dental Society’s (SDDS) own Dr. Steven Gournardes ran against a crowded field for the position of ADA speaker of the House. Although the results were not as we would have hoped, he ran a professional and respectful campaign, surviving the first four rounds of ballots. He represented the SDDS and NYSDA with honor and deserves our respect and appreciation.

At the close of business Dr. Maria Maranga of Suffolk County Dental Society announced her candidacy for ADA second vice president. The election will take place at next year’s House. The NYSDA caucus is led by the president of our state organization. Unfortunately, NYSDA president, Dr. Payam Goudarzi, was unable to attend as he was recovering from a health issue. The NYSDA president-elect, our own Dr. Craig Ratner, stepped up to lead in his place. He quickly prepared and seamlessly led a very efficient and productive caucus.

Representing the Second District Dental Society were Drs. Alyson Buchalter, Paul Albicocco, Mitchell Mindlin, Richard Oshrain, Paul Teplitisky and Tricia Quartey-Sagaille.

Dr. Mitchell Mindlin is a past president of SDDS and an ADA delegate.
The ADA FDI World Dental Congress was held this year from September 4-8 in San Francisco, California. At this event, the ADA’s House of Delegates meets to conduct the business of the ADA. Unknown to most dentists yet renowned among dental editors is a meeting conducted by the American Association of Dental Editors and Journalists (AADJE), which traditionally precedes the annual ADA meeting. This two-day annual conference at The Marker San Francisco hotel was well attended and had many fine speakers. Dr. Michael Glick, editor of the Journal of the American Dental Association (JADA), routinely lectures at this meeting, which also includes visits from ADA leadership. On the first day of the meeting, ADA Executive Director Dr. Kathleen O’Loughlin stopped by to give an update on what is happening at the ADA. During her conversation, she highlighted the problem of today’s young adults diagnosing themselves on the internet and shared that their main oral concern is having straight white teeth.

Sitting studiously in the audience while speedily transcribing Dr. O’Loughlin’s ADA update, a part of my mind couldn’t help but recollect a recent upsetting patient interaction. Mr. D (identify (Mr. D.) was a middle-aged man who happened to find me on the internet. My online presence isn’t as strong as it could be since I don’t advertise on the web or follow the myriad recommendations website gurus suggest, which is why I was pleasantly surprised to greet him. His chief concern was to save his front teeth. He knew he had gum and bone loss and loose teeth, which was confirmed by several general dentists he recently visited. Mr. D. was not comfortable with any of the dentists and was currently seeking a new general dentist. Medically, Mr. D said he was healthy; however, he hadn’t been to his physician in years and currently smokes a pack of cigarettes a day. When further prompted to relate exactly how many cigarettes, he admitted to smoking two to three packs a day. After my comprehensive examination and evaluation of his periodontal condition, along with a full set of X-rays he brought from his past general dentist, I diagnosed him with generalized stage IV grade C periodontitis. I requested he see his physician for an updated medical evaluation and consultation.

Without getting into all the decisive details of his evaluation, Mr. D. presented with generalized severe attachment loss, especially on his anterior teeth, where he had deep pocket depths, 2 to 3 mobility coupled with occlusal trauma, and 90-95% radiographic bone loss. The obvious recommendation would be to remove them. I tried to explain with sincere empathy that the best long-term solution — and probably even short term — would be extracting all his anterior teeth. I continued, “A full mouth reconstruction, including dental implants and the expertise of other specialists such as a prosthodontist, endodontist and…” when I was suddenly cut off by Mr. D. He told me his opinion, which was that his teeth were all salvageable, especially his front ones. He then described the hours of internet research he performed online. He did many Google searches and saw tons of YouTube videos that confirmed people in his situation saved their teeth with periodontal therapy. I appreciated all his internet research efforts though I felt they were not realistic in his specific situation. “Doc, I saw the pictures of their teeth and gum line and even their X-rays looked just like mine” he insisted. I tried to counterpoint his insistence by utilizing his own list of treatments he viewed online and wanted me to perform on him, which he felt could save his hopeless teeth, such as non-surgical local delivery antibiotics, noninvasive gingival grafting techniques and even laser assisted periodontal therapy. After a lengthy discussion trying to educate Mr. D. by showing him numerous high-level scientific studies supporting my recommendations and refuting his, I believed I was making progress. However, Mr. D. refused to have any of his teeth extracted and we agreed I would begin non-surgical periodontal therapy. Many people I have encountered are not psychologically ready to lose their teeth and for some, a slow transition is helpful. As dentists I know we love to present expectable treatment because we strive for predictable results. I truly go all out to have happy patients who are satisfied with the work I’ve done and enjoy their teeth or implants for many years. He left the office and scheduled a scaling and root planning appointment.

Mr. D. never showed up for his appointment. He never called to let me know and probably was well on his way to get other opinions or the ADA leadership. I called him up to see why he wasn’t returning. “Doc, I’m sorry I didn’t call. You told me the treatment you could do for me and the treatment I wanted to do would not last and I want to keep my teeth and for it to last, so I decided to go somewhere else,” he bluntly said. “I saw online that these treatments work on people just like me.” I couldn’t hold myself back, so I interrupted Mr. D. and said, “That’s impossible, since what you saw online did not show any of the measurements and medical and dental history I took on you, because only you are you.” I continued, “No one else you saw online or on YouTube is you; you are unique and the periodontal condition you have interacts with yourself in a way no one else could compare with, it’s personalized. Please, can’t you agree that only you, are you?” I was slightly happier when he begrudgingly agreed. Yes, you may think, like I did, that Mr. D. would value the opinion of a board-certified periodontist with expert knowledge and 25 years of experience in treating periodontal disease. Then you too would have been wrong.

Mr. D. never returned. He was searching for someone to perform his self-proposed treatment. What would happen if I did listen to Mr. D. and we tried these procedures that I knew would be ineffective for the long term, and most likely for the short term (without even tackling the ethical issues)? Would he remember, after spending all the time, effort and money on his self-proposed treatment procedures, our conversations? Would Mr. D. be very upset if he wound up having to lose his teeth in a year, probably? I am waiting for some guidance from the ADA on how we can do a better job educating this new generation of internet self-diagnosing, treatment-planning, health-concerned browsers. Maybe the ADA can produce YouTube videos and updated online information, ranked high on Google searches, focused on this group. Unfortunately, the first thing they see online may more effectively persuade this new internet savvy generation to have needed treatment than the hours they spend speaking with their dentists.
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George E. Bambara, M.S., D.M.D., passed away on June 22, 2019. We have lost a colleague and friend much too soon. Let me take a moment to briefly tell you about his contributions to our profession, his patients and his friends.

Upon graduation from University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) in 1989, Dr. George Bambara began practicing as an associate with Dr. Stephen Del Rey. A few years later, George set up his own practice in the Huguenot section of Staten Island. He ran his office like he did everything else in his life, with class. Dr. Bambara had a “boutique” dental practice before it was in vogue to model your dental office after a day spa. Anytime I needed to come up with a new patient amenity for my office I would visit George. He would always have the latest and greatest way to make his patients and staff feel appreciated. When I was giving away toothbrushes with my logo, George was offering massage chairs and warm, scented towels.

George’s accomplishments were numerous. He was on the faculty at the Rutgers School of Dental Medicine, as well as an adjunct assistant professor at The College of Staten Island. He held fellowships in the American College of Dentists, the International College of Dentists and the International Academy for Dental-Facial Esthetics. Dr. Bambara was a member of the American Dental Association, the New York State Dental Association, Second District Dental Society and Richmond County Dental Society, where he served as president in 1998. George was also a member of the Academy of General Dentistry. He received a William J. Gies Award from the Greater New York Dental Meeting in 2013, a Lifetime Achievement Award from Richmond County Dental Society in 2011 and in 1997, he was also inducted into The College of Staten Island Hall of Fame.

Dr. Bambara lectured nationally and internationally on attachment prosthetics and was selected as one of the “Top Clinicians in Continuing Education” from 2005 to 2013 by Dentistry Today magazine. George had articles published on attachment dentistry and authored a chapter on precision and semi-precision attachments in the textbook “Contemporary Esthetic Dentistry.” Dr. Bambara was also the driving force in establishing a scholarship fund at Rutgers School of Dental Medicine honoring the late Dr. William Cinotti. The scholarship is awarded each year to a dental student that demonstrates superior leadership, character and academic performance. George was influenced by so many colleagues in teaching and dentistry including but certainly not limited to: Dr. Stanley Kosan, Dr. William Cinotti, Dr. Michael Deasy, Dr. Stephen Del Rey, Dr. Florence Certo, Dr. Howard Lieb, Dr. Ted Edwards and Dr. Robert Sorrentino.

After 20 years in private practice he was ready for a change, not because he was tired of caring for patients, but because of the influences surrounding the practice of dentistry. George was growing exhausted of how patients were more loyal to their insurance rather than to doctors, choking regulations, increasing costs for running a modern tech-heavy business, staff management, and so on. That change came in 2013, when George decided to sell his practice to Drs. Cicero and Kenyon and retire. He continued lecturing nationally and internationally during his retirement but most of his time was spent with friends and family, traveling, playing golf, playing guitar, reading novels and spending time with his lovely wife, Janice, at their homes in Long Island and Florida.

So many of us have fond memories of Dr. Bambara; however, I would like to share some of my recollections, which began over 30 years ago. I first met George in 1985 when we began our quest to earn our Doctor of Dental Medicine degrees together. It was clear

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The best things in life cannot be bought. They must be felt with your heart.

My dad exemplified this statement. He made a path to travel leading by example every step of the way with his priceless values and gems.

Where some people have fathers, I had a dad.

Most of you knew my dad as a very special and unique individual who saw the glass as eternally half full, whose character, integrity and acronyms touched many people in his lifetime. It’s hard to sum up my dad in short but I will try! A strong, passionately driven, sincere, loyal, kind, empathetic, heartfelt giver with an infectious, enthusiastic spirit that would light up any room the minute he would walk in and inspire the most downtrodden!

Dad related to people from all walks of life.

He valued character over pedigree.

He looked for the good in each person and usually found it. He was a gift to all he touched with his vibrant, genuine optimism and innate ability to make people laugh.

Anything my dad set out to do in life he accomplished. No excuses, no BS, nothing done halfway. Always with confidence, perseverance, determination and relentless commitment to everything he valued parallel to none! He taught me never start something you cannot finish. We knew the unspoken words between us…

Dad was always learning, growing, embracing everyone around him in every way. When the chips were down, this is the man you wanted by your side. The world in which we live in is determined by our thoughts.

Dad overcame every obstacle life threw at him with his can-do attitude and approached challenges to overcome, conquer, and face head on as a real man is supposed to do. Drafted as an army ranger at age 16, he spent two years in the Philippines, qualified for General MacArthur’s bodyguard, majored in philosophy at Hofstra University, went on to podiatry school, then New York University dental school. He said World War II and dental school taught him about life and how grateful we all should be for the sacrifices others made for our freedom. We can achieve anything in life with the right attitude, willpower and drive.

What impressed me most about Dad is that he never took no for an answer. Hard work equals blood, sweat and tears. Life is for the living. Move forward, not backward. Do not dwell in the past, just learn from it. This had a profound impact on the way I live my life and then New York University dental school. He said World War II and dental school taught him about life and how grateful we all should be for the sacrifices others made for our freedom.

I was with my father at his end, his last breath, and he said…

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He lived by the example of his words and actions together…most of the time. None of us are perfect…

But very few are as sincere as my dad.

Dad was a straight shooter. Always in constant motion, but never too busy to share his love of life with those around him. The “three Fs” he valued were personally given to him by first lady Barbara Bush: family, friends, and faith. God helps those who helps themselves. Laughter is the best medicine/brevity the soul of wit. He taught me the true meaning of hard work. There is no free lunch in this life. It’s what you earn that matters, not what is handed to you.

Don Quixote - sunrise, sunset. After the storm comes the calm. Keep fighting…never give up. He got me through any tough situation by making me see the sunshine over the rainbow.

His willpower and self-motivation were strengths of character few men possess. Tough times never last, tough people do.

What the fool does in the end, the wise man does in the beginning.

My dad was fearless…do the thing you fear and the fear will disappear! He was a resourceful innovator in everything, helping people get into schools, jobs, get connected, stand on their own two feet and positively go forward whenever they were stuck or needed a helping hand. He had an enormous capacity to give of himself. He was a combination of Benjamin Franklin with his virtues, Norman Vincent Peale with his proverbs, and Shakespeare and Plato with his philosophies of life. Accentuate the positive, eliminate the negative.

Iligitamite non carborendum — never let the bastards get you down.

Dad strongly believed it was important to give back to the community and country in which he lived. He recognized that serving others enriched the giver’s soul. From the 12:30 Club, to the L.D. Pankey Study Group, AGD, Xips fraternity, International College of Dentists, Maimonides Hospital… I can go on and on.

Dad was a great husband, father, hero, mentor, communicator and leader in his professional and personal life.

He taught me, as his mentor L.D. Pankey taught him, how to treat the whole person. This philosophy helped me enjoy our profession a great deal. I grew up with the cross of life: love, play, work and worship, but as Dad always said…

“Love is the greatest thing in the world and you have to give it in order to receive it… and you have to do it every day, not once in a while…”

Henry made each and every day count! He was the ultimate real family man with all his attributes and faults.

The last few years were a little tougher than most but as par for the course, Dad and I bonded stronger than ever. We laughed together every day! Dad was always able to conquer the darkest of days. He was never down! And he never, ever let me down.

I was with my father at his end, as he was with me at my beginning. In the years we shared together he raised me, taught me, corrected me, confronted me, encouraged me and supported me in all things. He loved me and I loved him. He taught me how to live. All that I am is thanks to him. The task of my lifetime is to live up to his example, his expectations and his love.

A winner never quits and a quitter never wins.

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to me during our first introduction that George was a force to be reckoned with. He was larger than life, full of energy and just loved interacting with others. A week later he was the president of the class of 1989 and I, the secretary. He was very comfortable speaking in front of our class, with faculty, administrators and staff.

One of George’s most remarkable qualities was his ability to organize people and bring people together. He organized a 10-year reunion of our dental school class as well as a 20-year reunion, both of which would never have happened without him. Either the class officers or small groups of classmates would get together multiple times a year, always at George’s urging.

Two of my favorite gatherings were our annual “Class Officers” Christmas party which occurred every year since graduation, and our annual summer party at Dr. Cinotti’s Long Beach Island beach house. Back during our freshman year, as president of the class, George organized a ski trip, racquetball party and other social functions. (We were the most unified and well-informed class that ever walked the halls at UMDNJ, thanks to G.) I’ll never forget the first racquetball party we had as freshmen. I was on the court with George and being a halfway decent athlete who had played racquetball before, I figured I’d give this “old man” a run for his money. Much to my surprise I couldn’t even return his first 10 serves. He had me running around the court like a chicken without a head; needless to say, I never beat him.

Whether it was racquetball, snow skiing, biking, fishing, boating, water skiing, golf, tennis, billiards, cooking, wine, beer, traveling, photography, playing guitar, caring or being compassionate for animals — he truly experienced everything. George was always one of the most young-at-heart individuals I had ever met. The remarkable thing was that he was good, no, better than good at any hobby or sport.

He worked tirelessly to always be current and relative. George embraced learning curves and then flattened them! He had the latest tech gizmos even before the geek squad did. His clothing was always in style, his vehicles just came off the assembly line, his golf clubs were always the latest, and him? Constantly debonair. George had such a love for life it was truly contagious. Some describe Dr. Bambara as a Renaissance man; nothing could be truer.

Easily my fondest memory was meeting up with G at Ciro’s on occasion after a late Wednesday evening at the office to share a salad and seafood. We would always overstay our welcome sitting at the back table, pondering life’s mysteries just like we used to do in fixed lab. The restaurant staff would start placing the chairs on the tables, begin mopping the floor and giving us dirty looks as we sat there and chatted over a glass of wine or an espresso. When they finally threw us out of the restaurant, we would stand outside speaking for another hour. I really do miss those Ciro’s nights, old friend.

This year is our 30th anniversary from graduating dental school and when we all get together this fall just like George organized so many times in the past, it will be without our charismatic leader. There will be a cavernous void at our reunion but we owe it to George to keep the class close, informed and remembering that if it wasn’t for George, we probably wouldn’t be getting together at all.

Dr. Michael Donato, Jr. is a past president of Richmond County Dental Society and the secretary of the SDDS Board of Trustees.
I wish to share with you all much of who Dad was through a bookmark (see below) and hope it will inspire your everyday life as much as it has mine for every day that I have had the honor of being an Amen.

Thank you, Dad, for being my greatest gift in life.

Dr. Doreen Amen is a general dentist who practices in Brooklyn.

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Henry's Top 40

W.P.L.W. – Work, Play, Love, Worship
K.I.S.S. – Keep it Simple Sweetheart
P.M.A. – Positive Mental Attitude
M.I.H. – Make It Happen
T.E.A.M. – Together Everyone Achieves More
K.T. – Know Thyself
B.G. – Be Grateful
A.A. – Always Anticipate
F.F.F. – Fight, Flee or Flow
M.G. – Mental Gymnastics
P.O.P. – Power Of Prayer
E.T.B. – Expect The Best
R.H. – Radiate Happiness
T.I.E. – Take It Easy
S.Y.K. – Share Your Knowledge
I.W.W. – Where There’s A Will, There’s A Way
C.B.W. – Communication Builds Bridges, Not Walls
C.R.S. – Can’t Remember Sh*t
B.G.A. – Be Glad You’re Alive
S.S.T. – Sincerity, Simplicity, Truth
W.S.N.H. – Work Smarter Not Harder

D.I.N. – Do It Now
C.Y.B. – Count Your Blessings
A.H. – Aim High
A.I.E. – Attitude Is Everything
G.W.F. – Go With the Flow
P.R.P.P. – Proper Planning Prevents Poor Performance
D.W.B.H. – Don’t Worry Be Happy
H.I.T. – Hang in There
D.E.T.R.T. – Do The Right Thing
B.H. – Be Humble
C.O.T. – Circumstances, Objective, Temperament
N.Q. – Never Quit
C.S. – Constant Student
L.T. – Love Yourself
H.K.Y.G. – Habit Keeps You Going
K.D.G.U. – When Knocked Down, Get Up
V.B.S. – Visualize Being Successful
H.F. – Have Fun
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This course provides dentists and their staff members with the knowledge and skills needed to properly respond to cardiopulmonary and other medical emergencies which can occur in dental offices. The specific advantages and disadvantages of performing CPR within the dental operatory will be discussed. This program utilizes hands-on practice sessions for all participants. Topics to be covered will include heart attacks and strokes (signs and symptoms), sudden cardiac arrest/defibrillation, airway obstruction (choking), respiratory emergencies, anaphylactic reactions, emergency drug kits, and more.

Upon successful completion of this course, participants will gain the knowledge and hands-on experience needed to administer CPR safely and effectively. Completion of this course will also satisfy the New York State Education Department’s requirement for licensed dentists.

*This course may not fulfill the CPR certification requirements for staff/faculty of some hospitals/universities. Check with your institution before taking this course.*

*ENROLLMENT IS LIMITED, SO REGISTER EARLY!!!*

This course will focus on early detection and prevention of oral cancer. Statistics and demographics of oral and oropharyngeal cancers will be presented and the clinical presentations and spectrum of oral potentially malignant disorders from leukoplakia to erythroplakia will be described. A six-step algorithm for detecting and diagnosing potentially malignant oral lesions will be presented in detail. Risk factors for oral and oropharyngeal cancers, including smoking, alcohol consumption, diet and oncogenic HPV, will be discussed and participants will receive a brief overview of comprehensive extra-oral and intra-oral examination techniques.

Criteria for categorizing the degree of suspicion for oral lesions will be presented and special premalignant oral conditions such as oral lichen planus, oral submucous fibrosis and proliferative verrucous leukoplakia (PVL) will be detailed. Diagnostic adjunctive techniques such as autofluorescence, toluidine blue vital staining and cytopathology will be discussed, along with their advantages and disadvantages. General biopsy principles and techniques for the general dentist will be described. A brief overview of the histopathology and microscopic presentation for the diagnosis and grading of oral cancers and precancers will be given. Management options for oral precancers and cancers will be described and, finally, there will be a review of several case studies to help attendees integrate all material presented. Upon successful completion of this lecture, attendees will learn how to identify precancerous and cancerous lesions at early stages and their appropriate management. Attendees will also gain a deeper understanding of the risk factors for oral cancer, which can lead to prevention efforts.

This lecture will introduce participants to Temporary Anchorage Devices (TADs). It will review the application of orthodontic anchorages and how it applies to orthodontics. The different TAD systems will be introduced, as well as indications for the use of TADs and how the utilization of this new technology allows a new unique approach to difficult restorative situations. Clinical cases will be presented to enhance attendees’ understanding of these concepts. Upon successful completion of this lecture, attendees will understand how to effectively incorporate orthodontic anchorage systems into their practices.

In this age of increasing scrutiny and litigation against the dental profession, dentists must be aware of how to meet accepted standards of dental care. Dr. Gardiner will use actual malpractice lawsuits as
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SDDS OCTOBER 2019 CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE LISTING

CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE #2019-20
Hilton Garden Inn, Staten Island, NY
Friday, October 25, 2019 • 9 A.M. - 12 P.M. • MCEU - 3 HOURS

Understanding and Dealing with Dental Office Stress
Featured Clinician: DAVID GALLER, D.M.D.
President, American Academy of Clear Aligners

Every dentist has fears and insecurities that erode their quality of life and can lead to depression or early death. Dental staffs, likewise, share in this phenomenon and often can feel overwhelmed or unappreciated. This lecture will open attendees’ eyes to how all dental offices face the same challenges and anxiety and will explore the inner workings of a dental office and its personnel. Upon successful completion of the lecture, participants will gain insight into why dental offices are high stress and will also learn strategies for successful communication, stress reduction and teamwork.

Attendees will get to analyze and review dental malpractice lawsuits involving all the above areas in dentistry. Participants are encouraged to bring their entire professional staff to take part in this all-day course. Upon successful completion of the course, attendees will learn the most critical areas of dentistry in 2019 that will require dentists and their staffs to reevaluate if they are meeting accepted standards of care and what they must do to meet these changing standards.

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Your job information can also be anonymously posted on the DATC Facebook page. DATC students and graduates search this page to find out about current dental assistant positions and must call DATC to obtain details and point of contact information. To view these postings, look at our Facebook page under the “NOTES” tab and don’t forget to “Like Us.” Visit us on the web at www.datcny.com. As has been our policy for the last 33 years, there is never a fee for this service. Please call Lisa Lyle at 1(888) 595-3282 for more information.
MINUTES OF THE JUNE 3, 2019 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

President, Dr. Alyson Buchalter, called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m. Dr. Buchalter asked Dr. Jim Doundoulakis, the incoming general chairman of the GNYDM, to address the BOT. He offered his condolences on behalf of the GNYDM to SDDS and the DiMango family on the loss of Anthony and Maify. He reported some Meeting statistics and offered his help with anything related to the Meeting whenever we need it.

PRESENT: Drs. Buchalter, Bina, Donato, Flagello, Quartey-Sagaille, Rosenwein, Segelnick, Mistretta, Bongiorno, Bucigrossi, Butt, DeLeonibus, Demas, Katz, Lieb, McIntyre, Meiselman, Oshrain, Richard, SCONZO, Teplitsky, Turchak, Venetini and Wolfe

EXCUSED: Dr. Albicocco

Dr. Alyson Buchalter recognized the scholarship award recipients in attendance and asked them to state their names for the BOT

GUESTS: SDDS 2019 Loan Forgiveness Award recipients Drs. Brock Saucy, Corey Black, Philip Kaplan, Mitchell Zientz, Phillip Claassen, Myrodati Lyristis, Esther Nelson, Chrestene Fam; Drs. John Haliotos, Craig Ratner, Reneida Reyes and Jim Doundoulakis (GNYDM)

Motion passed: To accept the minutes as corrected for the May 6, 2019 board of trustees meeting

DECEASED MEMBERS:
Dr. Anthony DiMango — Georgetown University 1953
Dr. Henry Amen — New York University, 1954
Dr. Sherwin Berger — New York University, 1960
Dr. Mikhail Kugelev — New York University, 1991
Dr. Robert Mayo — New York University, 1958
Dr. Edward Pizzo — New York University, 1960
Dr. Theodore Shemella — University of Pennsylvania, 1943

NEW MEMBERS:
Dr. Lincy Varghese — State University of New York at Buffalo, 2018
Dr. John Tesoriero — Boston University, 2015

TRANSFERS:
Dr. Patricia Villalba - Universidad Nacional de Asunciòn, Paraguay, 2004 (From NY County)

GRADUATE STUDENTS/RESIDENTS:
Dr. Michael Nase (Woodhull)
Dr. Stephanie Sager (Wyckoff)
Dr. Avrekh Arjey (NYPBMH)
Dr. Fenella Vays (NYPBMH)
Dr. Rita Twan (NYPBMH)
Dr. Bruce Allen Bunch (NYPBMH)

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:
Dr. Nojan Bakhtiar — New York University, 2011

ANNOUNCEMENTS: See “Upcoming Events” calendar.

CORRESPONDENCE:
(none)

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND STAFF: President — Dr. Alyson Buchalter:
• As president of SDDS, Dr. Buchalter extended condolences to the DiMango family on the loss of an SDDS legend and past president, Dr. Tony DiMango
• Dr. Buchalter presented awards from SDDS to two NYC College of Technology dental hygiene students at the annual pinning ceremony
• Dr. Buchalter explained that it was a responsibility for Board members to volunteer as presiding chairpersons at GNYDM

Treasurer — Dr Raymond Flagello:
• Oral report given discussed Chase operating accounts and Vanguard portfolio

Executive Director — Mr. Bernard Hackett:
• Measles alert: The number of cases is increasing, especially in Williamsburg, Borough Park and Sunset Park. Dr. Mary Foote of NYC DOH will share some advice in our June Bulletin
• Nominating Committee will meet June 11 at SDDS and consists of five past presidents (Rosenwein, Ariola, Mindlin, Medrano-Saldana and Segelnick) and five elected members (Demas, McIntyre, Pavelakos, Ratner and Meiselman)
• NYSDA HOD meets in Buffalo, NY from Friday, June 7 – Sunday, June 9. Saturday morning at 8 a.m. our caucus will meet to review the reference committee reports and resolutions. We will also be visited by our ADA trustee, Dr. Paul Leary, and the two candidates running for NYSDA vice president, Drs. Kevin Henner and Maria Maranga
• Joint Audit Committee, chaired by Dr. Ken Cooperman will meet on Thursday, June 13, at NYCD’S HQ to review the audited statement of the 2018-19 GNYDM. Dr. Mindlin (co-chair), Dr. Demas, Dr. Meiselman and Mr. Hackett will be in attendance
• Many X-ray inspections that were delinquent were brought up to date by emailing those affected dentists to remind them to get inspections and get registrations current
• Article 175 has been re-enacted. We will send out a communication to our members that will summarize what is pertinent to dentistry
• Document shredding event was a success with nearly 35 members taking advantage at the SI Hilton. There will be two more events this summer
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GOOD & WELFARE:
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NEW BUSINESS:
(none)

SDDS REPORTS:
Greater New York Dental Meeting — Dr. Lauro Medrano-Saldaña:
• Dr. Medrano-Saldana was absent.
RCDs Branch Society Report — Dr. Charles Mitrakos:
• Membership meetings are well attended in response to offering reduced attendance fee, and lab-sponsored cocktail hours as implemented by Dr. Venterina
• Dr. Joseph Merola, secretary has been encouraging the SIUH residents to attend the membership meeting
• Golf outing will be held at NJ National Golf Club on Thursday, June 13, 1 p.m. shotgun
• The Board will be considering a “Night at the Races Event” in the upcoming year

Loan Forgiveness Program — Dr. Craig Ratner:
• Dr. Ratner thanks the recipients present and discussed the program

RCDS Branch Society Reports — Dr. Charles Mitrakos:
• Dr. Meiselman presented SDDS awards to two outstanding dental assistant students at Tottenville High School. He announced his son, Jake, got engaged
• Dr. Sconzo is swimming again, 5.5-mile swim for a bereavement and scholarship fund
• Dr. Flagello asked interested golfers to call Dr. Pieroni for the RCDS golf outing
• Dr. Rosenwein congratulated Dr. Bucigrossi on his daughter’s graduation
• Dr. Lieb congratulated Dr. Gounardes on the engagement of Senator Gounardes
• Dr. Rosenwein offered congratulations to the Bucigrossi Family on the graduation of their twin daughters from college, and congratulations to the SCONZO family on the graduation of their daughter, Devon, from college

ADJOURNMENT: 8:04 p.m.
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