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SDDS 2023 President's Message



2023 SDDS President Dr. Raymond Flagiello

I would like to start my presidency by thanking everyone for their support and confidence to allow me to serve as president of Second District Dental Society (SDDS) for 2023.

I have been practicing dentistry for over 35 years and have found it to be a noble and rewarding profession. Like many of you recent graduates, I had a hard time at first finding value in joining organized dentistry. The burden of school loans, in addition to the management of business and practice finances, is a daunting task.

I was attending a continuing education course in Manhattan and at the lunch break, I was seated next to an older practitioner from Staten Island by

the name of Dr. Carl Schmidt. Dr. Schmidt, who at the time was sitting president of SDDS' branch society, Richmond County Dental Society (RCDS), invited me to attend an RCDS membership meeting. I took him up on that offer and attended the next monthly meeting and I'm glad I did. I met other practitioners from every aspect of dentistry. I made lifelong friends and found support for many of the questions I had about practicing dentistry. I was asked to serve on the board of RCDS and did for many years, later becoming an officer and eventually president of RCDS.

As RCDS president-elect, you are required to sit on the SDDS board of trustees. I was appointed to several committees, as well as alternate to the then newly formed New York State Dental Association (NYSDA) House of Delegates. The following year, I became a seated SDDS board member and served on the Council on Governmental Affairs, where dentists meet politicians who can make or break the practice of dentistry. We try to make the politicians aware of the implications and detriments of their policies towards the dental

Upcoming Events

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THURSDAY
**MAR
9**

Dyker Beach Golf Course, Brooklyn, NY, 6:30 P.M.

**SDDS General Membership Meeting:
Hospital Residents Night**

"Full-Arch Immediate Fixed Prosthesis" by Davide Romeo, D.D.S., M.S., Ph.D.

FRIDAY
**MAR
10**

Dyker Beach Golf Course, Brooklyn, NY, 9 A.M.–4 P.M.

Continuing Education Course #2023-04

The Dr. Irving E. Gruber Memorial Lecture:

Obstructive Sleep Apnea: A Comprehensive Review and Management Strategies"
by Paul Covello, M.D., D.D.S., F.A.C.S.

MONDAY
**MAR
13**

SDDS Headquarters, Brooklyn, NY, 7 P.M.

SDDS Board of Trustees Meeting

FRIDAY
**MAR
17**

SDDS Headquarters, Brooklyn, NY, 9:30 A.M.–3 P.M.

Continuing Education Course #2023-05

"CPR and Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office"
by Michael Kalirhoff, Certified Instructor

TUESDAY
**MAR
21**

Max's Es-Ca, Staten Island, NY, 7 P.M.

**Richmond County Dental Society
Membership Meeting**

Recognizing and Managing Common Dental Emergencies
by Gordon Barnes, D.D.S., M.D.

profession. NYSDA, with the guidance of our lobbyist and our attorney, Lance Plunkett, examines every bill aimed at dentistry and helps politicians understand the impact of such legislation. In time, I was elected as an officer of the SDDS and rose through the ranks to become president of the society.

The beauty of being a member of organized dentistry is that the volunteers make this organization great through their dedication to helping all members thrive. The SDDS Board is filled with both new and seasoned professionals with knowledge and experience

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in all aspects of dentistry. Having a large, diverse, and engaged membership on the local, state and national levels gives us the resources to allow our profession to thrive and grow stronger for years to come.

For 2023, I hope to uphold the integrity and dedication of the many presidents that have served before me. I pledge to serve the SDDS board of trustees and our membership to the best of my ability. The world is constantly changing and dentistry should evolve with those changes. Whether it is economic, governmental or technological changes, your board of trustees and the dental society staff remain ready to help you in any way they can.

I would be remiss not to mention what makes the Society work at peak performance: the dedicated staff at SDDS, who are second to none. Bernard Hackett, our fearless leader, is the epitome of an executive director and I thank him for his stewardship.

Christine and Stephanie, who handle our daily operations, are absolutely wonderful to work with and have settled into their positions effortlessly. I would also like to thank the SDDS board of trustees, who are the heart and soul of the organization. They volunteer their time and effort with no reward other than the betterment of our dental society. Lastly, to all

our members who volunteer for various committees on both the state and local levels, I cannot say thanks enough. Remember, the dental society is here to serve its membership. Take me up on coming to a meeting and sharing a glass of wine with us; it may make dentistry a little more appealing.

Regards,
Raymond Flagiello, D.D.S.



SDDS President Dr. Raymond Flagiello with his wife, Meredith, and their daughters Olivia (far left), Rachel (second from right) and Mia (far right)

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Dr. Craig Ratner Receives the SDDS Distinguished Service Award

The Second District Dental Society (SDDS) Distinguished Service Award recognizes an individual's dedication to their profession, the SDDS and their patients. Dr. Craig Ratner has exemplified the award's core ideals of dedication, commitment and generosity of spirit. The following attempts to compress and summarize his more than 30 years of service.

Dr. Ratner's commitment to his profession started early in his career. At the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, now Rutgers University, he served his dental school class as vice president of his class and as their delegate representative to the New Jersey Dental Association's house of delegates. Following dental school, he completed two years of GPR residency at Staten Island University Hospital (SIUH), serving one as chief. Dr. Ratner stayed on at SIUH as a clinical instructor and continuing education coordinator for over 10 years. After residency, he joined his father, Dr. Steven Ratner, in private practice that has served the people of Staten Island for over 60 years.

Dr. Ratner's service to dentistry continued as he joined the board of the Richmond County Dental Society (RCDS), SDDS' branch society, in his first few years of private practice. He served as editor of the RCDS Bulletin for five years. He eventually ascended the RCDS ladder, reaching the presidency in 2001.

Dr. Ratner served the SDDS locally in many capacities. After joining the SDDS board in 2000, he was appointed and served on many SDDS committees including the Awards, Publications, House, Finance and Budget, Peer Review and Quality Assurance, Constitution and Bylaws, Audit and Administrative committees.

He served as chair of many of them at various times. He has also volunteered at the Greater New York Dental Meeting (GNYDM) since his second year of dental school. He served as the first chair of the joint SDDS/NYCDs GNYDM Audit Committee. Dr. Ratner climbed the ladder of SDDS, serving in every officer position and eventually as its president in 2008.

Prose and parliamentary procedure have been common themes in Dr. Ratner's service to SDDS. After several years as associate editor, in 2005 Dr. Ratner assumed the position of editor of the SDDS Bulletin. In his nine-year tenure as editor, he transformed the Bulletin from a cut and pasted, monochromatic, analog monthly newsletter to a vibrant, colorful periodical that had a digitally collaborative design. He was awarded the New York State Dental Association (NYSDA) Bernard Tillis Award for Outstanding Writing in a dental publication while editor. Dr. Ratner is the chief author of the current revision of the SDDS Constitution and Bylaws, which were codified in 2012. When the GNYDM sought to rewrite their governing rules in 2012, Dr. Ratner was asked to act as moderator and author.

Certain highlights stand out during Dr. Ratner's local service to SDDS. He is responsible for SDDS's current policy of term limits that promotes diversity and innovation in the SDDS leadership. He is also credited with the current system of sending SDDS's officers to represent SDDS on the state and national level. However, Dr. Ratner touts his most special achievement as the creation of the SDDS Loan Forgiveness Program. Recognizing a desperate need to relieve dental student loan debt,

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Dr. Craig Ratner (left) receives the SDDS Distinguished Service Award from SDDS President Dr. Raymond Flaggiello

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

NEW MEMBERS

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(General Practice; University of Pennsylvania, 2013)

REINSTATEMENTS

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(General Practice; New York University, 1993)

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(Orthodontics and Dentofacial; Meharry Medical College, 2018)

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DR. VICTORIA VERGARA

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Rutgers School of Dental Medicine, 2018)

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(Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery; New York University, 1974)

Brookdale Hospital

Transferred from Essex County Dental Society

DR. JOSHUA SEGAL

(Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery; Stony Brook University, 2005)

Staten Island University Hospital

Transferred from Nassau County Dental Society

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this program, which started in 2016, rewards deserving SDDS members in the first five years of their practice with awards of up to \$10,000. Since its inception, the program has awarded an amount just shy of \$1 million. He currently serves as the chair of the SDDS Awards Committee, which administers and guides this valuable program.

Dr. Ratner's service continued on the state level. His career included terms on the NYSDA Councils on Annual Sessions, Dental Education and Licensure, Chemical Dependency and Dental Practice as well as NYSDA's MLMIC Underwriting Committee, Audit Committee, and Special Committee on rewriting the NYSDA Constitution and Bylaws. Starting in 2005, Dr. Ratner represented the SDDS as one of three governors to the NYSDA board of governors, NYSDA's legislative body at the time. In 2008, he was selected as one of two at-large governors to serve on the NYSDA executive committee, the precursor to today's NYSDA board. When the NYSDA governance did change, it was a distinct honor

when he was selected by SDDS to serve as its first trustee on this inaugural NYSDA board. This distinct honor continued on a higher level when NYSDA elected Dr. Ratner to ascend the ladder of the association. This culminated in him serving as president of NYSDA in 2020.

As NYSDA president, Dr. Ratner credits his most distinctive challenge and success was role in leading the association, as its president, out of the COVID-19 pandemic. Working tirelessly, he met countless times with legislators and regulators during the infamous shutdown leading to an earlier opening than was predicted. After the opening, Dr. Ratner further led NYSDA's recovery through resource sharing, continued advocacy and constant communication. Dr. Ratner appeared several times on local television, newspaper and radio, and in national periodicals such as the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal and Crain's New York Business representing, to the public, dentistry's continued commitment to safety and recovery. According to Dr. Ratner, one of his most gratifying moments

in dentistry was the day that he joined with fellow SDDS and NYSDA members to distribute free personal protective equipment to our members at SDDS headquarters. Working through channels, Dr. Ratner was instrumental in securing these desperately needed protective materials and facilitating their distribution at no cost to our members.

As with his local service, there are certain important achievements that should be noted in his service to the state association. Dr. Ratner was one of the founding members and subsequent chair of the NYSDA Information Technology Committee (ITC). This committee was formed in 2011 in response to a new mandate of e-prescribing in New York. Dr. Ratner was the main author and presenter of the e-prescribing course that educated thousands of New York dentists, facilitating their compliance. The ITC also aided New York's dentists in their education and compliance with the federal HIPAA security mandate. Dr. Ratner was the main author and presenter of NYSDA's HIPAA Security and Cybersecurity compliance course. This

course was given throughout the state and nationally.

Dr. Ratner served his profession on the national level as well. He was elected as a delegate to the American Dental Association (ADA) house of delegates in 2008 where he has served until the present. It was his distinct honor to lead NYSDA's caucus in the ADA House, serving as the caucus chair in 2019 and 2020. In 2014, he was appointed to the ADA's Council on Dental Practice, where he later served as chair in 2018. He also served in the ADA's Standards Committee on Dental Informatics from 2014 to 2019.

As with his local and state service, Dr. Ratner points to certain distinct initiatives that were significant in his tenure on the national level. During his term on the ADA's Council on Dental Practice (CDP), the issue of a dental benefit in Medicare was being considered. As CDP's chair, Dr. Ratner successfully carried the council's banner of rejecting this benefit to the ADA board and house of delegates. He also cites his authorship of the ADA's policy on sleep related breathing disorders as one of his most important contributions to the profession. This policy has led to increased awareness and acceptance of dental sleep medicine by our profession and that of our medical colleagues.

Ultimately, Dr. Ratner credits his ability to serve our profession at such a high level to the care and understanding of his wonderful family, charitable mentors, practice team members, devoted association staff, and the hundreds of friends and colleagues he has been fortunate to have collaborated with throughout his career. His lovely wife of 32 years and high school sweetheart, Amy, as well as his amazing children Ben and Lindsay, have encouraged and supported him at every turn. He credits his desire to initially serve to his father, who demonstrated everyday what selflessness and honor truly meant.

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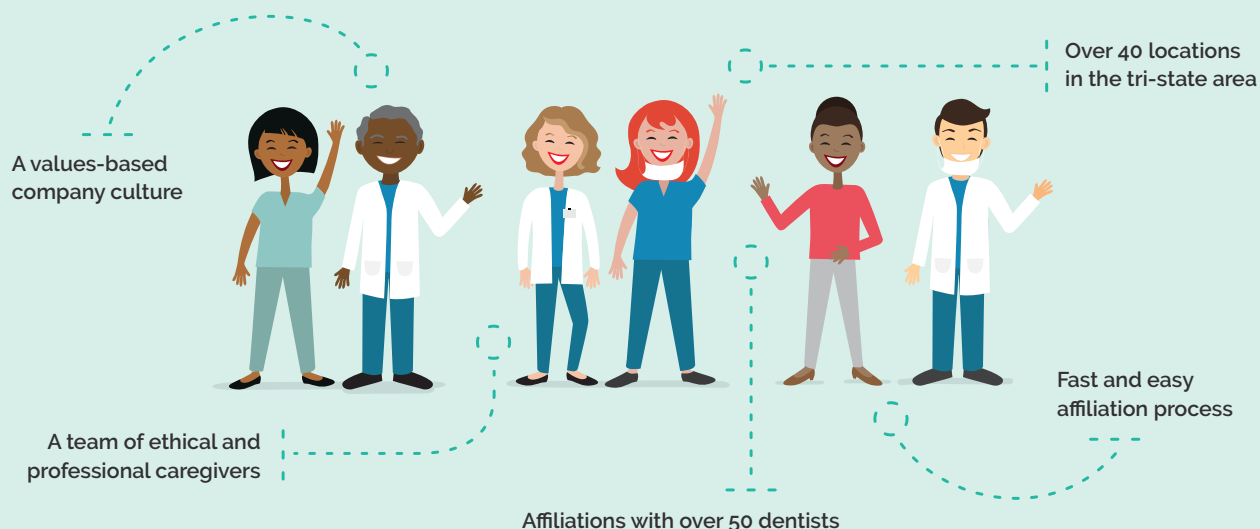
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2023 SDDS Installation of Officers

by: Stuart L. Segelnick, D.D.S., M.S., CDE, SDDS Bulletin Editor



Dr. Raymond Flagiello is sworn in as SDDS president by Dr. Craig Ratner, who was the installing officer for the ceremony

A celebratory sensational atmosphere pervaded The University Club in New York City on Sunday, Jan. 8 with almost 200 Second District Dental Society (SDDS) members, family, friends, and VIPS joyously participating in SDDS's annual Installation of Officers Luncheon. This year's festivity was highlighted by smiling faces, hand shaking, and hugging—a social event not felt since the start of the pandemic.

Attendees were so happy to meet, greet and renew ties with their colleagues that they were hesitant to leave the jam-packed pre-luncheon cocktail hour. When everyone entered the magnificent dining hall, Dr. Michael J. Donato Jr., immediate past president of the SDDS, warmly welcomed all attendees and then introduced Richmond County Dental Society (RCDS) Past President Dr. Edward Jastremski, who led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Dr. Steven Gounardes, speaker of the New York State Dental Association (NYSDA)

House of Delegates and past president of the SDDS and NYSDA, gave a poignant invocation starting with a moment of silence for the ones who passed since our last installation. Dr. Gounardes genially guided us in prayer for peace, health, happiness, and safety.

NYSDA President Dr. James Galati gave an update on what our state society is doing for us, such as hiring a new lobbyist, Brianna McNamee, who will be guiding the Council on Governmental Affairs. He also related how the Council on Dental Education and Licensure has been reaching out to stakeholders to see how NYSDA can help improve the PGY-1 licensing program, focusing on “practice mobility and portability for dentists moving in and out of the state.” Additionally, NYSDA is considering generating legislation to force dental insurances to increase their medical loss ratio, allowing more money to go directly to patient care. Lastly, Dr. Galati spoke

about the mentorship programs kicking off throughout the state, which will help all new dentists and jump-start their careers.

Gregory Hill, J.D., C.A.E., the new executive director of NYSDA, introduced himself and followed up by sharing some principles that support an “aligned, forward-thinking and equitable partnership that maximizes the value and importance of each level of the tripartite to better serve our members and improve oral health.” The seven principles that will help lead NYSDA to success are:

1. transparent communications;
2. fostering an inclusive culture;
3. recognizing equity in partnership;
4. advocating for a unified member experience;
5. pursuing innovation and technology to build a data-driven, customer-centric and agile culture;
6. supporting a learning and sharing community;
7. valuing an intentional infrastructure to increase capacity to serve.

Mr. Hill stressed that NYSDA has hired a full-time internal director of government affairs to help put forth the legislation NYSDA is pursuing. He also was very excited about the new director of NYSDA's foundation. Mr. Hill said that NYSDA will be a resilient organization and “respond, recover and reimagine” during these final phases of the pandemic and, like the ADA, NYSDA will concentrate on “our customer/member focus, sustainability, innovation, global presence, and nimbleness.” The NYSDA executive director concluded by paraphrasing Dr. Mina Kim, New York County Dental Society president, who challenged all of us to be “better engaged and more supportive” in all levels of the tripartite.

In his farewell address, Dr. Michael Donato, Jr. spoke nostalgically of the challenges of running our society during the pandemic and expressed his happiness that in-person meetings resumed during his term. Dr. Donato was proud that the SDDS gave \$200,000 in grants to new dentists this year and almost \$1 million since inception of the program. Another highlight of his year was completing the search to hire a new general manager of the Greater New York Dental Meeting (GNYDM). He went on to thank Dr. Steven Gounardes; Dr. Craig Ratner, past president of NYSDA and SDDS; Dr. Mitchell Mindlin, SDDS past president and NYSDA trustee; and Dr. John Demas, current NYSDA trustee. Dr. Donato also thanked Dr. Richard Oshrain, general chair of the GNYDM, and Dr. Robert Edwab, former executive director of the GNYDM, as well as the members of the GNYDM Organization Committee, troubleshooters, and staff who have brought our meeting back to success following the trials of



The 2023 SDDS officers. From left to right: Treasurer Dr. Phyllis Merlino, Secretary Dr. Valerie Venterina, President-Elect Dr. Tricia Quartey-Sagaille and President Dr. Raymond Flagiello

the pandemic. He then continued by thanking the board of trustees, council members, staff, and all our volunteers who worked so hard on all levels of the society. Furthermore, Dr. Donato thanked his private orthodontic office staff and especially his daughter, Dr. Nicolle Donato, and his wife, Elaine, for all their support.

Dr. Donato then asked Dr. Craig Ratner to approach the stage to take his place as inducting officer. Dr. Ratner, then installed our bright, hardworking and amazing leaders, the 2023 officers: Treasurer Dr. Phyllis Merlino, Secretary Dr. Valerie Venterina, Vice President Dr. Paul Teplitsky, President-Elect Dr. Tricia Quartey-Sagaille and 2023 SDDS President Dr. Raymond Flagiello. They were sworn in with a standing ovation.

Humbly and with gratitude, Dr. Raymond Flagiello began his presidential speech thanking the SDDS members for giving him the opportunity to serve. Dr. Flagiello announced all the VIPs in attendance. He also showed his appreciation to Dr. Robert Edwab, past executive director of the GNYDM, and thanked him for all his years of service. Dr. Flagiello welcomed the new general manager of the GNYDM, Mr. Thomas Loughlin, congratulating him on starting off so well and wishing him years

of continued success managing the GNYDM. Asking for a moment of personal privilege, Dr. Flagiello, showing his love and noting “Staten Island in the house,” thanked the RCDS and announced that many of their members and officers who were in attendance. He then went on to discuss the increased diversity and balance in our component and challenged all dental societies to do the same and promote diversity in their leadership positions, making us more relevant to our profession. He then thanked the staff for their help and hard work and alluded to the fact that Mr. Bernard Hackett, executive director of the SDDS, was not replaceable due to the great job he does. Presi-

dent Flagiello then concluded by thanking his staff and daughters—Rachel, who is finishing veterinary school; Mia, who is manager of the New York Marriott Downtown Marriot in NYC; and Olivia, who is a fashion designer and an assistant buyer for Ross department stores in Manhattan. He lovingly thanked his wife, Meredith, who works with him at their dental office as a dental hygienist.

Dr. Flagiello bestowed upon Dr. Craig Ratner the greatest award given to an SDDS member, the Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Ratner served at every level of our local society along with our state and national organization to the utmost degree of competence and expert ability. Dr. Ratner then thanked the society for this prestigious award. He nostalgically reminisced about attending his first RCDS meeting with his father, who was also a dentist. He remembered serving as a governor to NYSDA and being called an “angry young man” at the time for his passion. He also recollected being a delegate, trustee and council chair on all levels of the tripartite. Dr. Ratner relayed the joy he felt when the governor allowed the reopening of dental offices during the pandemic, which was a direct result of NYSDA’s efforts. He will also never forget the day he conceived

the SDDS Loan Forgiveness Program and said it was his most proud achievement along with the memory of the expressions on the young dentists’ faces when they received their grants.

The award ceremony ensued with Dr. Flagiello presenting certificate of recognition awards for their exemplary service as members of the GNYDM Organization Committee from 2020 through 2022 to Dr. Paul Teplitsky and Dr. Steven Moss. Awards were also granted to Dr. Lorna Flamer-Caldera and Dr. Philip Buccigrossi, Jr. for serving on the SDDS board of trustees. Fourteen SDDS members attained life membership status this year; life member awards were given to the four who were in attendance at the event. Dr. John Demas received an award for his service on the NYSDA Council of Dental Practice, and Dr. Mitchell Mindlin received an award for his service as NYSDA trustee. Their exemplary work and contributions to the SDDS were duly noted.

The SDDS gives its supreme thanks to SDDS Executive Director Mr. Bernard Hackett, along with SDDS staff Ms. Christine Terrio, Ms. Stephanie Carter and Ms. Shayo Farinre, for their amazing behind the scenes performance on behalf of the SDDS. We sincerely appreciate their dedication.



The packed cocktail hour at the SDDS Installation Luncheon

Photo Highlights from the SDDS 2023 Installation of Officers Luncheon



SDDS President Dr. Raymond Flagiello delivers his inaugural address to the audience



Left to right: Drs. Cherry Libramonte, Alyson Buchalter and Kirstin Wolfe



NYSDA President Dr. James Galati addresses the audience



New York County Dental Society President Dr. Mina Kim and NYSDA Executive Director Mr. Greg Hill



SDDS members Dr. John Celona and Dr. Aia Shalan engaged in conversation



Outgoing SDDS President Dr. Michael Donato, Jr. delivers his farewell address



Clockwise, from near left: Mr. Christopher Hewett, Mr. Ernest Vizcarrondo, Dr. Emma Guzman, Dr. Tricia Quartey-Sagaillle, Dr. Cherry Libramonte, Dr. Kirsten Wolfe, Dr. Sumaya Ibraheem, Dr. Aia Shalan, and Dr. Theresa Eliscar



Left to right: GNYDM General Manager Mr. Tom Loughran, Mrs. Sherry Rausch and R. Richard Rausch



SDDS President Dr. Raymond Flagiello (far right) presents a certificate of recognition to Immediate Past President Dr. Michael Donato, Jr., who is pictured with his wife, Elaine



Dr. Raymond Flagiello presents Drs. Lorna Flamer-Caldera and Dr. Philip Buccigrossi, Jr. with certificates of recognition for their years of service on the SDDS board of trustees



SDDS President Dr. Raymond Flagiello (far left) presents four life members with awards in recognition of their years of tripartite membership. From left to right: Dr. Joseph Zona, Dr. Doreen Amen, Dr. Michael Donato, Jr. and Dr. Deborah Pasquale



SDDS President Dr. Raymond Flagiello (far left) presents certificates of recognition to Dr. Mitchell Mindlin (middle) and Dr. John Demas (far right) for their service on the NYSDA board of trustees and the NYSDA Council on Dental Practice, respectively



Clockwise, from near left: Ms. Lindsay Ratner, Mr. Sanni Rana, Mr. Ben Ratner, NYSDA Past President Dr. Craig Ratner, Mrs. Amy Ratner, Mrs. Sara D'Anna, Dr. Michael D'Anna, Mrs. Ann Pisapia, Dr. Alex Pisapia, Dr. Marc Meiselman and Mrs. Lori Meiselman

Back in the New York Groove: Thank You for Attending the GNYDM!

by: Jayme S. Spicciatie, GNYDM Program Manager

The Greater New York Dental Meeting (GNYDM) thanks you for making the GNYDM the largest face-to-face dental event in the United States. At its 98th annual session, the GNYDM registered a total of **33,468**, including **12,188** dentists, **2,028** dental students, **2,113** dental assistants, and **2,211** dental hygienists from **162** countries. The GNYDM continues to be the largest dental convention and event in the United States.

The GNYDM hopes that you took the opportunity to make new friends, renew old acquaintances and make new contacts with decision-makers and partners for your continued success. The exhibit floor offered special discounts and giveaways. Professionals visited over **930 exhibit** booths and it was a great week of business, learning, and networking. The GNYDM education offerings included over 280 seminars, hands-on workshops and essays, with programs in Spanish and Portuguese.



A view of the 2022 GNYDM exhibit floor

The GNYDM included a free health screening fair with blood pressure, body mass index, diabetes, vision, podiatry, and oral cancer screenings. Over 150 vaccines were administered to GNYDM attendees including flu vaccines, COVID-

19 vaccines and boosters, shingles vaccines, tetanus vaccines, and pneumonia vaccines.

The GNYDM continued to expand its specialty meetings, including 10 in 2022: World Implant EXPO, Global Orthodon-

tic Conference, Pediatric Dentistry Summit, Sleep Apnea Symposium, 3D Printing & Digital Dentistry Conference, Public Health Symposium, Oral Cancer Symposium, Special Care Dentistry Forum, Women Dentists Leadership Conference, and the GNYDM Lab Symposium. The specialty meetings continue to increase attendance and revenue for the GNYDM as they welcome world-renowned clinicians to New York City.

The Nurse's Program continued; it is a collaborative effort to train nurses on proper oral health and the importance of referring patients to dentists for yearly checkups and overall health care. Added to the Nurse's Program included volunteer efforts and RAM (Remote Area Medical).

The GNYDM Organization Committee works tirelessly to ensure the Meeting's success throughout the year. With the leadership of General Chair Dr. Richard Oshrain, Advisory General Chair Dr. James Doundoulakis and the Second District Dental



A live workshop at the GNYDM



GNYDM attendees attending one of the Meeting's numerous CE seminars

Society (SDDS) chairs on the GNYDM Organization Committee: Drs. Ian Lerner, Nathalie Mohadjeri, Charles Mistretta, and Paul Teplitsky, the Meeting continued its success in 2022. Of course, additional thanks for allowing the Meeting to run smoothly and effortlessly must go to the countless SDDS member volunteers who were a part of the many sub-committees.

While the Meeting is a remarkable achievement, the GNYDM is

acutely aware that close friends such as you make the Meeting's accomplishment special. The warmth and collegiality shared by the GNYDM family create an atmosphere often not evident at other venues. The GNYDM's achievements always translate to financial accomplishments for the SDDS; through the GNYDM, the SDDS has continued its long tradition of low-cost, high-quality continuing education and member services.

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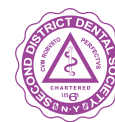
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Happy 2023! Staying the Course

by: Stuart L. Segelnick, D.D.S., M.S., CDE, SDDS Bulletin Editor



Another year is here and my family and I wish everyone a happy one filled with joy, happiness, health, and accomplishing all you set out to do. For my New Year's resolution, I've decided to limit the distractions and attempt a better work-life balance. When I finally get home after a long day at the office, I really would love to relax. Yes, there are so many enjoyable diversions that tempt me to abandon the work I still need to complete. Susan Randolph in her article "The Importance of Employee Breaks," relates how it's healthy to take a break, reduce your stress, and re-energize yourself. Included in her paper are some strategies to incorporate breaks into your workday. My problem is, once on intermission, I can't get back on track!

Maybe it's today's technology that so mercilessly whisks me away to a world filled with wonder, barring the resumption of my responsibilities. Today I'd like to share with you some failures regarding finalizing my tasks and why your SDDS Bulletin this month is probably way overdue. Hold on a minute, I just noticed it's getting late; we didn't finish our duties, and the deadline is a few days away. On the other hand, you know how difficult it was today at the office—come on, we deserve it; why shouldn't we watch some TV and unwind?

Streaming the night away

Okay, maybe I am wasting my money, but my family likes to have cable TV, so I have Spectrum with over 175 channels. The advent of

streaming services brought even more choices and how could you go wrong with some plans selling for under \$10 a month? Plus, there always seems to be something exciting to see. No judging, but now I also have Netflix, Amazon Prime, Disney+, Peacock Premium Plus, and HBO Max. Unfortunately, some nights I spend more time surfing the different services trying to find a show to enjoy than watching a show!

Googling and other search engine mayhem

There is a tremendous amount of information online. Acquiring accurate data takes a lot of effort and time. Using the myriad different search engines and repositories can lead to many tangents. In researching this part of the article, I spent half an hour trying to find the definitive number of search engines in the world. Using DuckDuckGo took me to this site which lists 500 search engines categorized by different factors: <https://www.linksmanagement.com/500-search-engines/>. I spent many more hours trying them out, which of course did not help me finish this article, but was very fun for a back seat researcher like me!

Social media meandering

Many of my friends are on multiple social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram, YouTube, Pinterest, TikTok, and Snapchat. I'm not sure how they do it, or

how they can post and respond all the time! Good time to check on my own Facebook and LinkedIn pages to see what everyone is posting. After too much time scrolling past people's shared life events and liking everyone, it was time to pull myself away. Wait! Rich Oshrain had won the 10k Turkey Trot, probably in preparation for trotting all over the Javits Center as general chair of the Greater New York Dental Meeting. Now I'm really getting tired.

Shopping virtually

Does anyone shop in person anymore? My fire/carbon monoxide alarm started chirping at me in the middle of the night letting us know it needed to be replaced. Many years ago, in a time so far away, I would drive to Home Depot and search the aisles for a replacement. Today I'm exploring Amazon, eBay, Etsy, Staples.com, and Homedepot.com for the best price, including delivery charges. I find it much harder to purchase online than in person unless you know exactly what you want. Years ago, I tried to buy my wife some jewelry online. What looked so large on the screen turned out to be embarrassingly tiny. Make sure wherever you buy online has a no-cost return policy!

Checking your stock portfolio

Please don't cry. Looking at anyone's stock portfolio today could cause some deep depression as our post-COVID country battles inflation, and heads into recession. One of my patients

recommended opening up a business or personal account at Treasurydirect.gov and buying treasury bills that mature in as quickly as four weeks at interest rates of about 4%. At the same site you can purchase a \$10,000 I-bond for about 7% annual interest rate. I'm not going to waste a minute more on watching my stocks fall—or am I?

Emails and messaging

So many emails and only so many seconds in a day. With my inbox filling up so quickly, it's a wonder I have any time to respond. Most of the time, I'm just deleting and wondering why the spam filter hasn't flagged those junk emails. The biggest problem is the time it takes me to go through my spam folder to restore important correspondence that was pulled into the rip current of oblivion. No, I'm not ignoring you. I must have missed your email; so listen, if you haven't received a response, please give me a call!

Now you know some of the distractions I face every day. I'm sure you have your own list of diversions and favorite virtual places to lose yourself in. However, by finishing this article, I feel somewhat vindicated that I found a way to stay centered, not lose my concentration and be able to bask in the joy of completing a task before the deadline. I hope your year is filled with perseverance and high production!

CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE

Register online at sddsny.org

STATEN ISLAND (Hilton Garden Inn, 9 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.): #2023-03 ♦

Friday, March 3, 2023

BROOKLYN (SDDS Headquarters, 9:30 A.M. – 3 P.M.): #2023-05 ♦

Friday, March 17, 2023

ALL CPR COURSES WILL OFFER 4.5 MCEUs.

CPR and Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office

Instructor: **MICHAEL KALIROFF**

Certified Instructor, American Heart Association

This course provides dentists and their staffs 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 operator 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 EMPLOYER BEFORE TAKING THIS COURSE.

SDDS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: STATE OFFICERS & NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS NIGHT

Register online at sddsny.org

Thursday, March 9, 2023 ♦ Dyker Beach Golf Course, Brooklyn, NY ♦ 6:30 P.M. ♦

MCEU – 1 HOUR



Full-Arch Immediate Fixed Prosthesis

Featured Clinician: **DAVIDE ROMEO, D.D.S., M.S., Ph.D.**

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Dentistry, Advanced Oral Rehabilitation Unit, Vita Salute University, Italy

Over the course of this presentation, participants will:

- Review the most updated literature on immediate fixed prostheses supported by axial and tilted implants.
- Explore evidence-based surgical protocols for the treatment of atrophic full arches with tilted and zygomatic implants.
- Receive an overview of conventional and complete digital restorative workflow for immediate and definitive prostheses.

Upon successful completion of this lecture, attendees will learn the most recent surgical and restorative protocols for the treatment of full arches with an immediate fixed prosthesis supported by axial, tilted and zygomatic implants.

CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE #2023-04

Register online at sddsny.org

Friday, March 10, 2023 ♦ Dyker Beach Golf Course, Brooklyn, NY ♦ 9 A.M. – 4 P.M. ♦

MCEU – 6 HOURS



The Dr. Irving E. Gruber Memorial Lecture Obstructive Sleep Apnea:

**A Comprehensive
Review and Management Strategies**

Featured Clinician: **PAUL COVELLO, M.D., D.D.S., F.A.C.S.**

Program Director, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Geisinger Health; Assistant Professor, Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine

Common and often undiagnosed, obstructive sleep apnea can have a devastating effect on the health and quality of life of our patients. As oral health providers, we have the opportunity to identify concerning risk factors before dangerous sequelae

develop. Our educational background and expertise also provide unique insight into the anatomy of the airway. A thorough understanding of the disease process and options available help us ensure timely management, therapeutic success, and long-term patient outcomes.

This course is designed to emphasize and engage the dentist's role in the management of obstructive sleep apnea. Upon successful completion of the course, attendees will:

1. Review the diagnosis and classification of obstructive sleep apnea.
2. Identify risk factors and screening methods for patients who may have obstructive sleep apnea.
3. Describe techniques for targeted airway analysis.
4. Describe techniques for patient counselling and non-surgical therapy.
5. Comprehensively compare established and novel surgical therapies.

RICHMOND COUNTY DENTAL SOCIETY

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Register online at sddsny.org

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 ♦ Max's Es-Ca, Staten Island, NY ♦ 7 P.M. ♦ MCEU – 1 HOUR

Recognizing and Managing Common Dental Emergencies

Featured Clinician: **GORDON BARNES, D.D.S., M.D.**

Owner, Paramount Ambulatory Anesthesia; Board—Certified Dental Anesthesiologist

This lecture will involve the following topics:

- Hypertension.
- Hypotension.
- Hypoglycemia.
- Bronchospasm/exacerbation of asthma.
- Seizure/local anesthetic toxicity.
- Anaphylaxis, anaphylactoid reactions.
- Sinus bradycardia/tachycardia.
- ST-Segment changes + STEMI.

Upon successful completion of this lecture, participants will be able to outline and apply the principles of emergency management as it relates to the patient in need.

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#2023-04 The Dr. Irving E. Gruber Memorial Lecture—		SDDS Members	\$75	Maged F. Iskaros, B.D.S., D.D.S.		“CPR and Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office”	
“Obstructive Sleep Apnea: A Comprehensive Review and Management Strategies”		SDDS Member’s Staff	\$50	Friday, May 12, 2023		*excluded from discount offers*	
		SDDS Hospital Residents	\$25	Dyker Beach Golf Course, Brooklyn		SDDS Members	\$180
		ADA Members	\$100	9 A.M. – 4 P.M.		SDDS Member’s Staff	\$175
SDDS Life Members	\$122.50	ADA Member’s Staff	\$75	MCEU - 6 hours		SDDS Residents	\$125
SDDS Members	\$175	Non-ADA Members/Staff	\$110	Breakfast and lunch included		ADA Members/Staff	\$200
SDDS Member’s Staff	\$100	Francis S. Eng, D.D.S.				Non-ADA Members/Staff	\$295
SDDS Hospital Residents	\$50	Friday, March 24, 2023		#2023-11 “Am I Treating the Right Tooth?”		Michael Kaliroff	
ADA Members	\$200	Dyker Beach Golf Course, Brooklyn		SDDS Life Members	\$52.50	MCEU - 4.5 hours	
ADA Member’s Staff	\$150	9 A.M. – 12 P.M.		SDDS Members	\$75		
Non-ADA Members	\$275	MCEU - 3 hours		SDDS Member’s Staff	\$50	Hilton Garden Inn, Staten Island	
Non-ADA Member’s Staff	\$175	Breakfast included		SDDS Hospital Residents	\$25	(9 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.)	
Paul Covello, M.D., D.D.S., F.A.C.S.				ADA Members	\$100	#2023-03 Friday, March 3, 2023	
Friday, March 10, 2023				ADA Member’s Staff	\$75	#2023-09 Friday, May 5, 2023	
Dyker Beach Golf Course, Brooklyn		#2023-10 “Optimal Dental and Oral Care in Precision Dentistry”		Non-ADA Members/Staff	\$110		
9 A.M. – 4 P.M.		SDDS Life Members	\$94.50	Pierre L. Wohlgenuth, D.D.S.		SDDS Headquarters, Brooklyn	
MCEU - 6 hours		SDDS Members	\$135	Friday, May 19, 2023		(9:30 A.M. – 3 P.M.)	
Breakfast and lunch included		SDDS Member’s Staff	\$100	Hilton Garden Inn, Staten Island		#2023-05 Friday, March 17, 2023	
#2023-06 “Fundamental Objectives of Early Interceptive Treatment”		SDDS Residents	\$35	9 A.M. – 12 P.M.		#2023-07 Friday, April 21, 2023	
		ADA Members/Staff	\$175	MCEU - 3 hours			
SDDS Life Members	\$52.50	Non-ADA Members/Staff	\$200	Breakfast included			

PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENTS

The following proposed amendments to the SDDS Bylaws were approved by the Board of Trustees at the February 6, 2023 meeting of the Board. They will be presented to the membership for a vote at the March 9, 2023 Scientific/Stated Meeting (aka General Membership Meeting).

Background: The purpose of the amendments are to eliminate the officer position of Librarian-Curator. The C&B Committee and Board examined the vacant position of the Librarian-Curator and make a recommendation if the position should be filled or eliminated. The Committee discussed the necessities and duties of the position. The Committee and Board concurred that the position had outgrown its relevance and that there would not be a hardship if the position was to be eliminated. The Committee unanimously concurred that the position of Librarian-Curator should be eliminated.

Proposed: That the Bylaws of the Second District Dental Society be amended as follows (by deletion) (strikethrough):

Article IX. Officers and Board of Trustees

Section 1: Officers

The Officers of this Society shall consist of a President, President-Elect, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, and Librarian-Curator.

Section 2: Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees shall consist of the President, President-Elect, Vice-President, Secretary,

Treasurer, Librarian-Curator, the Immediate Past-President, the elected Trustees and the representative from each branch society.

Article X. Duties of Officers and Board of Trustees

Section 4: Secretary

Subsection 6.

1. maintain an accurate list of the names and addresses of the members of this Society, revise these lists as indicated, and notify the Librarian-Curator and Treasurer of additions or changes in this list

Subsection 15.

1. notify the Treasurer, Librarian-Curator, insurance carriers, Secretary of The New York State Dental Association and the Editor of the Bulletin of the resignation, suspension, expulsion or reinstatement of any member

Subsection 16.

1. notify the Treasurer, Librarian-Curator, insurance carriers, Secretary of The New York State Dental Association and the Editor of the Bulletin upon the death of a member

Section 6: Librarian-Curator

It shall be the duty of the Librarian-Curator to:

1. keep a catalogue and inventory of all property of the Society, with a record of the date of its acquisition, and the name of its donor or record of purchase
2. render an annual report to the Board of Trustees

3. serve as a member of the Benevolent Fund Committee

4. serve as a member of the Board of Trustees

5. serve as an Alternate Delegate to the New York State Dental Association House of Delegates.

6. serve as a member of the House Committee and the Administrative Committee.

7. perform such other duties as may be provided for in these Bylaws

Article XII. Composition and Duties of Standing and Elected Committees

Section 2: Administrative Committee

- A. Composition This Committee shall consist of the Chair of the House Committee, the Librarian-Curator and three other members. One member shall be appointed annually for three years. The member serving his/her last year of term of appointment shall serve as the Chair.

Section 18: House Committee

- A. Composition This Committee shall consist of the Chair of the House Committee, the Librarian-Curator and three other members. One member shall be appointed annually for three years. The member serving his/her last year of term of appointment shall serve as the Chair.

Section 23:

Nominating Committee

In the event of the absence of or disability of the President, the President-Elect shall assume

the duties of the President as outlined in this Section. No member of this Committee shall be nominated for President-Elect, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer or Librarian-Curator of this Society.

Article XIII. Nomination and Election of Officers, Trustees, Representatives and Delegates

Section 1: Nominations

Nominations shall be made at the October General Membership Meeting for the following Offices: President-Elect, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, and Librarian-Curator.

A: Offices:

3. ... The incoming Treasurer and Librarian-Curator of this Society and the incoming President-Elect of the Richmond County Dental Society shall be ex officio Alternate Delegates, first and second and third respectively.

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Section 6 (Delete and renumber)

SDDS Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

NOVEMBER 7, 2022 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

President, Dr. Michael Donato, called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

Motion Passed: To accept the minutes of the October 3, 2022 board of trustees meeting as distributed.

PRESENT: Drs. Donato, Flagiello, Quartey-Sagaille, Teplitsky, Venterina, Merlino, Albicocco, Bina, Buccigrossi, Buchalter, DeLeonibus, Demas, Flamer-Caldera, Libramonte, Meiselman, Merola, Mindlin, Mistretta, Richard and Segelnick; Mr. Hackett

EXCUSED: Drs. Bongiorno, Butt, Rosenwein, Sager, Turchak, and Wolfe

GUESTS: Drs. Halikias, Lieb, Oshrain, Ratner, Reyes, and Shalan

DECEASED MEMBERS: Dr. Ronald Kantrowitz – New York University, 1949

ELECTION OF MEMBERS

NEW MEMBERS: None.

REINSTATEMENTS: Dr. Moussa Sweid-Halabi – New York University, 2001

TRANSFERS:

Dr. Anna Rodriguez – East Carolina University School of Dental Medicine, 2018 (Transferred from North Carolina Dental Society)

Dr. Moses Stern – New York University, 2020 (Transferred from New York County Dental Society)

RESIDENT MEMBERS:

NYU Langone:

Dr. Matthew Ferrin –
University of California: Los Angeles, 2022

Dr. Rupanshi Garg –
New York University, 2022

Dr. Aalia Sharafally –
New York University, 2022

Dr. Austin Chang –
University of Toronto, 2022

Dr. Stacey Morris –
University of Toronto, 2022

Dr. Ashlee Verma –
New York University, 2022

Dr. Jeremy Mihnevych –
New York University, 2022

Dr. Hosna Esmailsadan –
New York University, 2022

Dr. Jake Wood – Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

See “Upcoming Events” calendar.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND STAFF

President — Dr. Michael Donato:

- Our December board meeting will be live at Second District headquarters.
- The Greater New York Dental Meeting (GNYDM) is just a few weeks away, so anyone who has not registered to volunteer must do so ASAP.

President-Elect — Dr. Raymond Flagiello:

- Working on our January installation luncheon, which will be held at the University Club.

Treasurer — Dr. Valerie Venterina:

- Reported on the balances in the Chase operating and savings accounts and the peer review escrow account.
- The value of our Vanguard investment portfolio has rebounded slightly from last month's report.
- Our investment ratio is 50% stocks and 50% bonds.

Executive Director — Mr. Bernard Hackett:

- The 2023 continuing education program is coming along. The first presentation is scheduled for Feb. 24 on Staten Island (The Efron Lecture).
- The November general membership meeting is this Thursday evening, Nov. 10. Everyone must register for the meeting and is expected to attend.
- The first social events for 2023 will be the SDDS Installation at the University Club on Sunday afternoon Jan. 8 and the RCDS Installation at the Richmond County Country Club on Saturday evening, Jan. 28.
- Preparations for the GNYDM are well on their way.
- The GNYDM pre-meeting volunteer dinner will be held at the Marriott Marquis on Monday, Nov. 21 starting at 6 P.M. It is mandatory for all officers to attend.
- Based on the financial outlook and return from this year's GNYDM, we must be

prepared to take whatever actions are necessary to keep operating expenses down going forward.

- A quite successful peer review mediation workshop was held on Friday at SDDS headquarters. The State council staff has expressed an interest in using our workshop in other locations around the state.

ADA HOUSE OF DELEGATE REPORTS:

Dental Education, Science and Related Matters — Dr. Albicocco: (previously emailed)

Dental Benefits, Practice and Related Matters — Dr. Buchalter: (previously emailed)

Budget — Dr. Demas: (previously emailed)

Budget, Business, Membership and Administrative Matters — Dr. Teplitsky: (previously emailed)

Legislative, Health, Governance and Related Matters — Dr. Mindlin: (previously emailed)

NYSDA REPORTS:

NYSDA Council on Dental Practice — Dr. Quartey-Sagaille:

- Minutes have been previously emailed.

Board of Trustees — Dr. Demas:

- Minutes have been previously emailed.
- There is an ongoing search for a new NYSDA lobbyist.
- Discussed the establishment of the Strategic Forecasting Committee at the ADA House of Delegates, its composition and duties.

Council on Dental Benefit Plans — Dr. Buchalter:

- Tomorrow is a big day in Massachusetts with the Medical Loss Ratio initiative on the ballot. It is strongly supported by the ADA as well as NYSDA.

SDDS REPORTS:

Greater New York Dental Meeting — Dr. Oshrain:

- Everyone on the Board should volunteer to preside if they haven't already done so. You are also expected to attend the pre-con meeting on Nov. 21.
- Everyone on the Board is invited to the cocktail party and dance, which will be held on Saturday night, Nov. 26.
- Total registration as of today for this year's meeting is 21,151. This includes about

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4,900 U.S. dentists and 2,800 international dentists.

- Current booth sales are at 926.
- Course ticket sales are presently at 5,591. Educational revenue as of today is \$ 837,196. Last year's total educational revenue was approximately \$ 786,000 so we expect to far exceed that total.
- The hospitality suite at Javits for clinicians and volunteers will be located on the fourth floor of Javits on Friday and Saturday and then back downstairs in E. Hall Sunday through Wednesday.

Richmond County Dental Society — Dr. Merola:

- The RCDS installation dinner will be on Jan. 28 and will have a Roaring 20's/ Prohibition theme.

Awards Committee — Dr. Ratner:

- The minutes of the Oct. 25 meeting have been emailed.
- The committee would like to present the following resolution to the Board:

Resolved: That the SDDS give two additional awards of up to \$500 each to NYC College of Technology students in both the hygiene and tech tracks after their first year in similar categories as the current awards.

After a brief explanation of the rationale for this motion, a vote was held, and the motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

GOOD & WELFARE:

- Dr. Donato thanked the members who represented the Second District at the ADA House of Delegates meeting in Houston.
- Dr. Donato announced that his daughter was married two weeks ago.
- Dr. Quartey-Sagaille thanked everyone for their well wishes following the birth of her son.
- Mr. Hackett informed everyone that Dr. Wolfe is back to work following the loss of her father and she is appreciative of all the kind thoughts that were conveyed.
- Mr. Hackett welcomed Dr. Shalan to the meeting and announced that she will be joining the Board in January.

- Dr. Merlino recognized Dr. Reneida Reyes for an honor she received on Friday, Nov. 4 at a combined meeting of Suffolk and Nassau Counties' women's dentists.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 P.M.

DECEMBER 5, 2022 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

President, Dr. Michael Donato, called the meeting to order at 7:08 P.M.

Motion Passed: To accept the minutes of the November 7, 2022 board of trustees meeting as amended

PRESENT: Drs. Donato, Flagiello, Quartey-Sagaille, Teplitsky, Merlino, Albicocco, Bongiorno, Buchalter, Butt, DeLeonibus, Demas, Flamer-Caldera, Libramonte, Merola, Mindlin, Mistretta, Turchak and Wolfe

EXCUSED: Drs. Bina, Buccigrossi, Meiselman, Richard, Rosenwein, Sager, Segelnick and Venterina; Mr. Hackett

GUESTS: Drs. Gounardes, Oshrain and Ratner

DECEASED MEMBERS: (none)

ELECTION OF MEMBERS

NEW MEMBERS: (none)

REINSTATEMENTS: Dr. Veronica Hopkins – Meharry Medical College, 2018

Dr. Victoria Vergara – Rutgers School of Dental Medicine, 2018

TRANSFERS:

Dr. Hannah Eder – University of Florida, 2021 (Transferred from Atlantic Coast District Dental Association)

RESIDENT MEMBERS:

Dr. Zachary Nessel – Rutgers School of Dental Medicine, 2021 (Maimonides Medical Center)

Dr. Samantha Tsai – University of Southern California, 2022 (Kings County Hospital Downstate Medical Center)

Dr. Joshua Penners – Loma Linda University School of Dentistry, 2022 (NY Veteran Affairs Harbor Healthcare Brooklyn)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

See "Upcoming Events" calendar.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND STAFF:

President — Dr. Michael Donato:

- Attended the GNYDM pre-con meeting as well as the meeting itself.
- Recognized everyone on the Board who gave their personal time to ensure the success of the Greater New York Dental Meeting and thanked Dr. Oshrain, Dr. Edwab, the Organization Committee, and the GNYDM staff for their hard work.
- Expressed gratitude to everyone who gave him support and guidance during the past year in his position as president of the Second District Dental Society.

President-Elect — Dr. Raymond Flagiello:

- Everything is set for the Jan. 8 installation luncheon, which will be held at the University Club.

Treasurer — Dr. Valerie Venterina (absent):

- Dr. Donato reported on the balances in the Chase operating and savings accounts and the peer review escrow account.
- The value of our Vanguard investment portfolio is up slightly from last month's report
- Our investment ratio is 50% stocks and 50% bonds.

Executive Director — Mr. Bernard Hackett (absent):

- No report presented.

NYSDA REPORTS:

NYSDA Council on Health Planning and Hospital Dentistry — Dr. Al Joseph:

- Minutes have been previously emailed

NYSDA Committee on Substance Abuse and Well-Being — Dr. Philip Buccigrossi:

- Minutes have been previously emailed

Board of Trustees — Dr. Demas:

- A candidate for the newly established position of in-house governmental affairs person has been selected and an offer has been made and accepted. The name will be announced at the end of December.
- There is an ongoing search for a new NYSDA lobbying firm.

- The NY State Dental Foundation has chosen a new executive director, as well as a newly established general manager.
- The New York State Education Department will be introducing an online tool which will enable applicants for professional licensure to track the progress of their applications.

SDDS REPORTS:

Greater New York Dental Meeting — Dr. Oshrain:

- Discussed comparative registration numbers, education income and booth sales for the years 2018, 2019, 2021, and 2022.
- The 2022 GNYDM numbers are significantly better than last year's and there

is optimism that they will continue to trend upward.

- Expressed thanks to everyone on the Board for volunteering and helping to make this year's Meeting a success.

Richmond County Dental Society — Dr. Merola:

- The RCDS Installation Dinner Dance will be on Jan. 28 and will have a Roaring 20's theme.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

GOOD & WELFARE:

- Dr. Donato thanked everyone on the Board once again for their support during the past year.

- Dr. Donato wished Mr. Hackett's son, Liam, a speedy recovery from his ankle injury.

- Dr. Albicocco thanked Dr. Donato on behalf of the entire Board and all Second District members for his service and the excellent job he did this year.

- Dr. Merola informed everyone that he serves on a committee that is dedicated to helping teen moms. It is called "Young Lives" and he will be sending everyone a link asking for donations.

- Dr. Donato wished everyone a happy holiday season.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 P.M.

SDDS Job Board

POSITIONS WANTED

GENERAL DENTIST AVAILABLE PART-TIME:

Experienced General Dentist available 1–2 days/ week and alternate Saturdays. Bay Ridge area, Park Slope, North Brooklyn, and Staten Island. Contact: | 917-301-4436 |

POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

PERIODONTIST: Looking for a periodontist. Hours and salary will be discussed upon interview. Contact: Dr. Nicholas Mattia or Alyssa | 718-442-8440 | nmattiadds@gmail.com |

GENERAL DENTIST: Full-time and Part-time dentist with minimum 2 years experience. Contact: Dr. Tamara | tibadental@yahoo.com |

GENERAL DENTIST: Large dental practice on Staten Island looking for General Dentist. Flexible hours. Contact: Jill | 718-494-0100 | jilldon310@gmail.com |

ORTHODONTIST: Full or part-time position, for a busy Staten Island general and multi-specialist practice. Contact: Jill | jilldon310@gmail.com |

ENDODONTIST AND PERIODONTIST (STATEN ISLAND): Multi-specialty practice is looking for an endodontist and periodontist to join our team. Flexible hours. Contact: | hwdentalcare@gmail.com |

PEDIATRIC DENTIST—BROOKLYN HOSPITAL:

Board certified/ Board eligible pediatric dentist wanted for an attending position in a Brooklyn hospital, supervising pediatric dental residents. NYS license required. Please email your resume to Rena Kravitz. Contact: Rena Kravitz | rkravitz@maimonidesmed.org |

ORAL SURGEON—ONE BROOKLYN HEALTH SYSTEM, PART-TIME:

2 day/week at Brookdale Hospital Medical Center. Responsibilities: supervision/ teaching residents. Contact: Dr. David J. Miller | 718-613-4707 | dmiller@interfaithmedical.org |

ORTHODONTIST PT—STATEN ISLAND: Well-established, busy high quality practice in Staten Island, NY seeking part-time Orthodontist. Please email your curriculum vitae to Dr. Salvatore Indelicato. Contact: Dr. Salvatore Indelicato | 718-967-5213 | straiteeth@aol.com |

FT ASSOCIATE—BROOKLYN: Implant Practice seeks full time associate. Experience a plus. No Saturdays. Available immediately. Contact: Dr. Simon Kappel | 718-436-0202 | doctorsmileone@gmail.com |

PEDIATRIC DENTISTS—ONE BROOKLYN

HEALTH SYSTEM: Full Time position, Monday–Friday at Brookdale Medical Center (full benefits package and loan forgiveness eligibility), Wednesdays at Interfaith Medical Center. Responsibilities: supervision/ teaching residents. Contact: Dr. David J. Miller | 718-613-4707 | dmiller@interfaithmedical.org |

ORAL SURGEON-NYP BROOKLYN METHOD-

IST HOSPITAL: Seeking part time oral surgeon to help with clinic and on-call coverage. You have the skills and expertise that these new dentists need. Compensation, free precious Park Slope parking, and the satisfaction knowing you have helped the new dentist be the best they can be. If interested please email your CV to Dr. Sconzo. Contact: Dr. Sconzo | jjs9014@nyp.org |

GENERAL DENTIST—ONE BROOKLYN

HEALTH SYSTEM: Part Time (3 days/week), Monday, Thursday, and Friday preferred (full benefits package). Responsibilities: supervision/teaching residents. Contact: Dr. David J. Miller | 718-613-4707 | dmiller@interfaithmedical.org |

ORAL SURGEON—ONE BROOKLYN HEALTH

SYSTEM: Part-Time: 1 day/week at Interfaith Medical Center. Responsibilities: supervision/teaching residents. Contact: Dr. David J. Miller | 718-613-4707 | dmiller@interfaithmedical.org |

FULL-TIME LICENSED DENTIST: Full-Time Licensed Dentist to take over patients as soon as possible. Hours and salary will be discussed upon interview. Contact: Dr. Nicholas Mattia or Alyssa | 718-442-8440 | nmattiadds@gmail.com |

Advertising in the SDDS Job Board

The SDDS Job Board is a free member-benefit program for all Second District members who are seeking employment and for all SDDS members who have positions available at their office address in Brooklyn or Staten Island. This member benefit is available only to Second District members in good standing. Please call Christine at (718) 522-3939 or send us an email for details on placing an associateship listing.

Classifieds

DENTAL OFFICE FOR SALE WITH REAL

ESTATE: Amazing location on the corner of Ocean Parkway and Church Avenue, fully equipped two operator dental office for sale. This is a condo unit on the ground floor of a high-rise residential building with street access. Dentist is retiring and selling the condo and all the equipment. Rare opportunity to purchase a turnkey practice and own real estate at reasonable price!!! Please call 862-485-5535.

DENTIST WANTED FOR A WELL-

ESTABLISHED, BUSY BRONX LOCATION: Part-time with option to buy practice from retiring dentist. Pay commensurate upon experience and qualification. Please submit resume to gdsnmgr@gmail.com. Call office to set up interview 718-365-8490.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY WITH NO STARTUP

COSTS to begin or continue treating patients at a fully equipped and furnished dental office conveniently located 1 block from Staten Island University Hospital. Customize your schedule. Several days available for rent. Call 516-448-7209.

A FULLY EQUIPPED DENTAL OFFICE WITH THREE OPERATORIES IS AVAILABLE

ON STATEN ISLAND. It is located on a corner of a busy main street. Dentist is preparing for retirement. If interested, please call 718-876-9200 or email dimiantental@gmail.com.

STOP PAYING RENT—OWN— 4 Op dental condo for sale with/without P/T general practice, in Boro Park, Brooklyn. Great starter practice—highly transferrable—or second office. Good for a SPECIALIST, also—very few in area. Set up your office without worrying about a rent hike from your landlord after spending a lot of money. Great Location—very busy area—near all. Also includes half of building with tenants. Owner flexible — can stay, or not, as needed or desired. Contact dds7723@gmail.com

STATEN ISLAND PRACTICE & BUILDING FOR

SALE: Established Staten Island practice offers perfect opportunity for new dentist starting out or existing practice looking to expand... 5 fully equipped ops! Please contact 917-295-6027 for details.

DENTAL OFFICE FOR RENT/SALE— Modern dental practice in a very busy area of Bensonhurst, Brooklyn, 11204/1st floor/corner building/approx. 1000 sq. feet (high ceiling). Three fully equipped operatories/custom cabinets/flat screen TVs/computerized/central AC & heat. Nitrous oxide/pulse oximeter. Eagle software system, digital schick X-rays, panoramic machine, waiting room area & nice size reception area plus flat screen TV. Fully equipped laboratory area/kitchen/storage room/basement. Alarm & stereo system/phone system/24 hrs surveillance camera. Private office (separate entrance). Near public transportation. Long term lease/available immediately. Please contact us @ 718-435-0045.

Advertising in the SDDS Classifieds

If you are interested in placing a classified ad online and in the SDDS Bulletin, please download the SDDS 2023 Advertising Contract at www.sddsny.org, which details ad rates, submission guidelines and submission instructions. Further inquiries may be directed to Shayo Farinre at sfarinre@sddsny.org.



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2023 SDDS DENTAL STUDENT LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAM

Don't miss out on this opportunity!

Are you:

- A newly licensed dentist who has had your license for **five years or less** and has completed your residency program or specialty training program?
- **Licensed in New York** and in second year of postgraduate training (if you have converted to full Active membership)?
- An **Active tripartite member** of Second District Dental Society?
- Burdened with over **\$50,000** in verified dental school loan debt?
- Practicing the majority of the time in **Brooklyn** and/or **Staten Island**?

If so, now is your opportunity to apply for the SDDS Dental School Loan Forgiveness Program. You could be one of several new dentists selected to receive an award of up to \$10,000 to decrease your dental student loan debt.

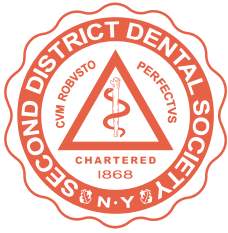
Visit www.sddsny.org for complete program eligibility details.

Apply by March 31 and you could be one of several new dentists selected to receive an **award up to \$10,000** to help decrease your student loan debt.

View eligibility requirements to see if you qualify.

Program opens on January 2023
Application deadline is March 31, 2023





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ASSISTANT?**

The Dental Auxiliary Training Center's (DATC) "Fundamentals of Chairside Dental Assisting" course which started in September 2022 ended in December 2022 and graduates are ready for employment.

As a service to SDDS members, DATC has a placement service to help dentists find trained prospective employees. We will be happy to discuss your job requirements and help you find a mature, responsible and motivated dental assistant.

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 35 years, there is never a fee for this service. Please call Lisa Lyle at 1(888) 595-3282 for more information.