Looking for an Associate?

Seeking Employment?

See the SDDS Job Board on Page 18.



# 

Serving the counties of Kings and Richmond since 1868

MARCH/APRIL 2024

**WWW.SDDSNY.ORG** 

VOLUME 41 NUMBER 2

## RCDS 2024 Installation of Officers

by Phyllis G. Merlino, D.D.S.



SDDS President Dr. Tricia Quartey-Sagaille (far right) with four of the newly installed 2024 RCDS officers at the RCDS Installation of Officers Dinner Dance on Jan. 27. Pictured, from left to right: President-Elect Dr. Bryan Pieroni, Vice President Dr. Brian Perrone, Treasurer Dr. Joseph Albanese and President Dr. Christen

The evening of Saturday, January 27, was the night of Richmond County Dental Society's (RCDS) annual installation of officers and dinner dance. The Richmond County Country Club in Staten Island was again our host for the evening and they did not disappoint!

This year's theme was a "Magical Mystical Night," complete with beautiful centerpieces and a magical feel. Members of Second District Dental Society (SDDS),

RCDS's parent society, along with friends and family members danced the night away with a DJ that kept the partygoers moving all night. The food was plentiful, from the cocktail hour of antipasto selections, a seafood bar and passed hors d'oeuvres, to the sit-down dinner complete with filet mignon.

The event chairperson was RCDS Past President Dr. Michael Costa who, along with 2024 RCDS President Dr. Christen

#### **Upcoming Events**

\*Advance registration is required for all events. Visit sddsny.org to register.

WEDNESDAY | MAY | 01

Live webinar via Zoom, 7 P.M.—9 P.M.

**Continuing Education Course #2024-09** 

"The Digital Dentistry Experience" by Anthony Ramirez, D.D.S., M.A.G.D., D.I.C.O.I. Visit sddsny.org for registration and meeting information.

FRIDAY MAY 03

SDDS Headquarters, Brooklyn, NY, 9 A.M.—12 P.M.

Continuing Education Course #2024-10 | Hands-on Course:

"The Bioclear Method for Anterior and Posterior Composites" by Arthur R. Volker, D.D.S., M.Sc., M.S.Ed. Visit sddsny.org for registration and meeting information.

MAY 06

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

SDDS Board of Trustees Meeting

MAY 21 Max's Es-Ca, Staten Island, NY, 7 P.M.

RCDS Membership Meeting:

"Medication-Related Osteonecrosis of the Jaw: Diagnosis, Management and Treatment" by Mark Goodenough, D.D.S., M.D.

FRIDAY
MAY
31
SUNDAY
JUNE
02

Turning Stone Resort and Casino, Verona, NY

2024 NYSDA House of Delegates Meeting

Visit nysdental.org/events/house-of-delegates for meeting and registration information.

Carute, did a fantastic job of putting the evening together. Dr. Costa said that "In keeping with our recent tradition of themed nights for our annual installation, we decided to go with mysticism and magic this year. We had two

fantastic performers working on each side of the room doing amazing card tricks and jaw-dropping close-up magic. I was excited to see everyone so engaged and

Continued on Page 2 »





A Publication of the **SECOND DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY** 

111 Fort Greene Place Brooklyn, New York 11217 Tel (718) 522-3939 Fax (718) 797-4335

STUART L. SEGELNICK, EDITOR Jeffrey M. Galler, Business Manager

#### **ASSOCIATE EDITORS**

Paul S. Albicocco Gabriel D. Ariola Babak Bina Alyson K. Buchalter Jacques Doueck Howard I.A. Lieb Lauro F. Medrano-Saldaña Deborah A. Pasquale Craig S. Ratner Reneida E. Reves James J. Sconzo Paul W. Teplitsky

#### **OFFICERS**

President-Tricia S. Quartey-Sagaille President-Elect-Paul W. Tepliltsky Vice President-Valerie Venterina Secretary-Phyllis G. Merlino Treasurer-Cherry Libramonte

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Paul S. Albicocco Alyson K. Buchalter Saad A. Butt Joann M. De Leonibus John P. Demas Michael J. Donato Jr. Theressa L. Eliscar-Hewett Raymond A. Flagiello Marc Meiselman Joseph M. Merola Mitchell D. Mindlin Charles J. Mistretta Bryan D. Pieroni Gisele F. Richard Stephanie B. Sager Sandra S. Scibetta Stuart L. Segelnick Aia Shalan Ronald Turchak Kirstin A. Wolfe

#### **OFFICE STAFF**

Bernard Hackett, Executive Director Stephanie Carter Shayo Farinre Christine Terrio



#### Continued from Page I »

both magicians, Zach and Mike, put on great shows. There were also two tarot readers on hand to 'read' us and many of the guests were excited to get a little glimpse into their future. I kept an eye on the tables and luckily no one left looking like they had heard any bad news! The hot chocolate and s'mores bar were a super fun addition out on the veranda as well since the weather was great. I had such an easy time planning the party with Christen this year. She was super organized, and I know that means we are in good hands for this coming year at RCDS."

RCDS Past President Dr. Edward Jastremski led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance and Dr. Charles Mistretta, past president of RCDS and member of the Greater New York Dental

**FOLLOW US!** facebook.com/SDDSofNY twitter.com/SDDSofNY instagram.com/SDDSofNY

Meeting Organization Committee, provided attendees with an invocation. RCDS Immediate Past President Dr. Joseph Merola gave his farewell address, thanking the membership and RCDS board of trustees for a year well done. "It was both a privilege and honor to follow in the footsteps of so many great leaders in representing our dental society," said Dr. Merola. He continued, "It was such an enjoyable experience and I'm proud to pass the torch to Dr. Carute, who I know will do an amazing job in representing the society."

The newly inducted SDDS president, Dr. Tricia Quartey-Sagaille, was the installing officer of the evening, her first official duty of the year. She provided a few welcoming words and then got on to the main event of the night-installing the 2024 RCDS officers. Dr. Christen Carute (president), Dr. Bryan Pieroni (president-elect), Dr. Brian Perrone (vice president) and Dr. Joseph Albanese (treasurer) were officially inducted as the RCDS executive board when they raised their right hands and took their oaths.

Dr. Carute then gave her inaugural president's address. Dr. Carute is a life-long Staten Islander and a general dentist in private practice in Staten Island. A graduate of the College of Staten Island and SUNY University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine, she holds a general practice residency certificate from Staten Island University Hospital. She is proud to have gotten involved in organized dentistry in her hometown while still a resident. In her welcome speech, Dr. Carute

proudly introduced her mother and husband and thanked her family and friends for attending the celebration and for being so supportive of her. "This year, I encourage each of you to not only attend and participate, but to reach out to our colleagues who have lost sight of what this incredible society is all about," said Dr. Carute. "We are, in fact, a family. Of course, everyone is busy and the chaos of everyday life takes over, but being among those that have this common bond is a reminder of why we chose a profession full of support, collaboration and comradery."

Dr. Carute added, "The Richmond County Dental Society is just a very small component of organized dentistry, but it certainly does not feel small with my predecessors who have represented the society and have made such an impact. Being the current president of RCDS is such an honor and my biggest goal is to bring more local dentists in and to get them involved. It is hard sometimes to find the time to dedicate to something new, but this involvement is invaluable for the success of the future of the dental profession."

Once the formalities were complete, the crowd had the chance to dance the night away, talk to friends old and new and enjoy themselves. I will certainly say that "a good time was had by all!"

Dr. Phyllis Merlino is secretary of the SDDS board of trustees. She is also a past president of Richmond County Dental Society.

The Bulletin is the official publication of the Second District Dental Society. It is published bimonthly, by the Journal of the Second District Dental Society, Inc. The opinions expressed are those of the writers and are not necessarily those of the Second District Dental Society. Subscription rates; members, \$4.50 per year; others, \$5.50 per year Material for publication must be typewritten and double-spaced and must be received six weeks prior to the month of issue. Business communications and requests for advertising rates should be fireted to the Second District Dental Society, 111 Fort Greene Place, Brooklyn, NY 11217.

The Bulletin reserves the right to alter or reject any copy.

The SDDS Bulletin and website welcome advertising as an important means of keeping the dentist informed about new and better products and services for the practice of dentistry. Such advertising must be factual, dignified, tasteful, and intended to provide useful product and service information. The publication of an advertisement is not to be construed as an endorsement or approval by the SDDS Bulletin and website and/or its publisher, the Second District Dental Society, of the product or service being offered in the advertisement unless the advertisement specifically includes an authorized statement that such approval or endorsement has been granted. As a matter of policy, the SDDS Bulletin and website will sell advertising space when the inclusion of advertising material does not interfere withe purpose of their publication. The SDDS Bulletin and website reserve the right to accept or reject advertising, at its sole discretion, for any product or service submitted for publication.

### **SPOTLIGHT:**

### Dr. Paul Teplitsky, SDDS 2024 President-Elect



SDDS President-Elect Dr. Paul Teplitsky

Dr. Paul Teplitsky was installed as president-elect of Second District Dental Society (SDDS) on January 7 during the annual SDDS Installation of Officers Luncheon. Dr. Teplitsky was born in Brooklyn at Beth-El Hospital, which is now known as Brookdale Hospital and Medical Center. Along with his younger brother, he was raised first in Crown Heights, Brooklyn and then in the Canarsie section of Brooklyn. His paternal grandfather and father were tailors and operated a familyowned dry cleaning and tailoring business in Manhattan. Although Dr. Teplitsky worked in the business, his parents impressed upon him from a young age that it would not be passed down to a third generation. Instead, it was expected that he would become the first in the family to earn a college degree and become a "professional." Dr. Teplitsky obligingly attended State University of New York at Stony Brook (Stony Brook University) without any specific career goal in mind.

At Stony Brook University, Dr. Teplitsky found that he enjoyed the study of business and economic theory, so he declared as an economics major. However, while participating in some

related externships, he found the actual work to be tedious and uninspiring. It was time to explore an alternative career path. Dr. Teplitsky ultimately decided that he would like to do something that was hands-on, interactive and challenging and dentistry seemed to be a profession that met those parameters. He applied to dental schools and chose to attend the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine (Penn).

While at Penn, Dr. Teplitsky had many positive experiences. He was able to balance the rigors of dental school with numerous activities that the city of Philadelphia had to offer. When he could find some free time, he attended concerts, sporting events, discos (yes, it was the '70s) and frequented Philadelphia's own little Chinatown. Upon graduation from Penn, though, he headed back to New York to further his career.

Dr. Teplitsky's first postgraduate program was a general practice residency at Long Island College Hospital (LICH) in Brooklyn. Some of the many influential attendings at LICH included Dr. Andrew Linz, Dr. Gilbert Kringstein, Dr. Irwin Kolin, Dr. Howard Moshman, Dr. Maurice Goldberg, Dr. Nathan Trotter and Dr. Robert Castellano. Although Dr. Teplitsky felt that his education at Penn Dental was top-notch, he says it was his clinical training and experiences during his GPR year at LICH that really made him a dentist. Especially important were Drs. Moshman and Castellano, who fostered his interest in prosthodontics. Even more important was the fact that LICH was where Dr. Teplitsky met Joanne, who was

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

**DR. KARAN NADIG** 

(General Practice; Boston University, 2020)

120 Nassau Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11222

#### **REINSTATEMENTS**

**DR. CHARLIE CHEN** 

(General Practice; The State University of New York,

Stony Brook University, 2008)

5321 7th Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11220

#### **TRANSFERS**

**DR. KEISHA BUTLER** 

(General Practice; Creighton University, 2014)

336 Flatbush Avenue Ext Fl 4A, Brooklyn, NY 11201

Transferred from Central Dental Society

#### DR. KYU WAN CHOI

(Periodontics; New York University, 2019)

185 Montague St Fl 9, Brooklyn, NY 11201

Transferred from Nassau County Dental Society

to become his best friend, greatest love and his wife of 38 years and still counting.

Upon completion of his GPR, Dr. Teplitsky continued his postgraduate training. He was accepted into a two-year prosthodontic residency at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in Manhattan. This program

combined training in prosthetic dentistry with extensive studies and experiences in the management of oncology patients. Dr. Teplitsky was then awarded a Holzman Fellowship in maxillofacial prosthetics. He was appointed chief resident of the dental service and subsequently completed his third year at Sloan-Kettering, for

#### Continued from Page 3 »

which he received a certificate in maxillofacial prosthetics.

In 1984, Dr. Teplitsky was recruited by Dr. Ronald Burakoff, then the newly appointed chair of the LICH department of dentistry, to return to LICH as a part-time attending. At the same time, Dr. Teplitsky rented office space in Brooklyn Heights and started his own private practice in prosthodontics. Then, in 1989, Dr. Teplitsky was brought into LICH on a full-time basis to be the GPR program coordinator. In 2001, Dr. Burakoff, who had become both a mentor and a friend, left LICH for another career opportunity. Dr. Teplitsky was then promoted to chair of dentistry, a position he held until 2011. During his 27 years at LICH, he devoted his time to resident education, patient care and administrative duties. He served on the Medical Executive Committee of LICH, the Chairman's Committee and the Quality Assurance Committee, spent two years as chair of the Credentials

Committee, and was elected to be an officer of the medical staff. serving as its secretary-treasurer. He worked closely with head and neck surgeons and radiation oncologists, providing treatment and rehabilitative care to patients diagnosed with head and neck cancer. In June 2011, Dr. Teplitsky was honored as a "Community Star" at the 112th anniversary dinner of the Seneca Club of Kings County. Following his tenure at LICH, Dr. Teplitsky was hired as a part-time clinical assistant professor in the department of surgery at SUNY Downstate Medical Center, a position in which he served from 2012 through 2018.

Although Dr. Teplitsky's involvement in organized dentistry got a late start, he has tried to make the most of it. He began in 2014 with participation on the SDDS Liability Claims Committee. He became a member of the SDDS Board of Trustees in 2017 and has since attended numer-

ous New York State Dental Association (NYSDA) House of Delegate meetings and ADA House of Delegate meetings. Dr. Teplitsky was an SDDS appointee to the Greater New York Dental Meeting Organization Committee from 2019 through 2022 and still serves as a volunteer on the committee. He was also SDDS' representative on the NYSDA Council on Ethics from 2018 through 2022 and was appointed chair of the Council on Ethics in 2023, a position he currently holds.

Dr. Teplitsky and his wife, Joanne, reside in Manalapan, New Jersey, where they raised their three children. Thomas is an attorney, David is a chiropractor and Sara is an ER nurse, presently working towards her master's degree to become a nurse practitioner. All three of them live and work in New Jersey. Paul wants to acknowledge Joanne for her incredible support, encouragement and love, which have enriched his life

and made it possible for him to devote so much time and energy to his many professional activities through the years. He also wants to acknowledge his children, who have made it necessary for him to continue those professional activities through the years. The tuition bills just never stopped coming.

Ever since becoming involved in SDDS, Dr. Teplitsky has been impressed by the selflessness, dedication and hard work of the board members and staff. SDDS has proven to be a model of success and leadership on both the state and national levels. Additionally, we offer our membership an array of invaluable benefits and services. Dr. Teplitsky looks forward to serving as president of this great organization and working to ensure that SDDS will continue to accomplish great things for its membership and the dental profession for many years to come.

## NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2024 SDDS NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nominations to the 2024 Second District Dental Society (SDDS) Nominating Committee were held at the SDDS General Membership Meeting on Thursday, March 14. The following five members were nominated to serve (in alphabetical order):

**Dr. Saad Butt** 

Dr. Joann DeLeonibus

**Dr. Steven Gounardes** 

**Dr. Cherry Libramonte** 

Dr. Richard Oshrain

Elections will be held at the SDDS General Membership Meeting on Thursday, April 11, 2024. The elected members, along with the five immediate SDDS past presidents, will comprise the 2024 SDDS Nominating Committee.

### **SPOTLIGHT:**

## Dr. Christen Carute, RCDS 2024 President



RCDS President Dr. Christen Carute

My journey to becoming a dentist started in a very atypical way. I knew at five years old that I would be a dentist. It was probably all the toys I received at the dentist's office for being a good patient, or the waiting area with the videogames and the play castle that made it so much fun, but at that moment, I made up my mind. And from what my parents told me, I never changed my mind throughout childhood.

I chose my high school because it offered a dental assisting and lab technician program. My very first set of dentures that I made in the lab tech program is still displayed in my home office. I could not wait to turn sixteen so I could get a job as a dental assistant after school at the pediatric dental office I had gone to since I was young. I loved everything about it and learned so much about dentistry. I continued to work there through college and graduate school until I received my acceptance to the University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine in 2011.

I loved Buffalo despite the cold weather and snow; I made wonderful friends and had supportive mentors that have made a lasting impression on my career. I was involved in several outreach programs, and student leadership programs and wanted to make an impact in the community.

I was president of our Pediatric Dentistry Club and organized trips to provide health screenings, education and care for individuals in the Amish community, who did not have any access to dental care and were previously never interested in it. We set up buses to provide transportation for them to come to the dental school for our annual Give Kids A Smile Day and provided care for a population that truly needed our help. Pediatric dentistry was always a passion of mine, but I wanted to be able to provide care to individuals of all ages.

After graduating from the University at Buffalo, I returned to Staten Island to complete general practice residency at Staten Island University Hospital and stayed on board for a second year as chief resident. Currently, I am working as an associate at Marine Dental Services on Staten Island. Through Marine Dental, I also provide dental care for the inpatient population at South

Beach Psychiatric. I have been incredibly lucky to work in a practice with amazing colleagues, unbelievable staff and the best patients.

When I am not working, I love to cook and bake. Cooking is very therapeutic after the craziness of a busy day and when people actually like your cooking, that is even better. I also enjoy walking and hiking; I love the tranquility of nature, beautiful scenery and fresh air. My absolute favorite thing to do is spend time with my husband and my two and a half year-old son. They are the reason I feel most proud to be where I am in my life and my career.

Organized dentistry was something that was spoken about by my faculty in dental school and several of my classmates held positions in our local American Student Dental Association chapter, but I never really understood what it was all about until I was a resident and began attending

Richmond County Dental Society (RCDS) and Second District Dental Society (SDDS) meetings. As residents, we were invited to free lectures and dinners-why would I say no to that? Once I got to my very first RCDS meeting, I could not believe how welcoming the other attendees were. Some were my residency program attendings and others were dentists whose names I had always heard but whom I did not know until I met them at these meetings. Before the lecture started, announcements were made about what was going on within our profession and the people among this group that were advocating for dentists and the best possible care of our patients, not just locally but all throughout our state. I was drawn to the dedication that these individuals had for being involved and knew I wanted to be a part of it.

Continued on Page 6 »



#### Continued from Page 5 »

I continued to attend these meetings while finishing my residency program, and one of my attending doctors asked if I was interested in joining the RCDS board of trustees. I was apprehensive about committing to such an important role, especially as a new dentist. As a dental resident, I did not know what I could contribute to this group of established dentists and specialists, but I knew that being around this group would help me to grow in my skills and intensify my passion for organized dentistry.

Less than two years later, that same attending doctor approached me at one of the RCDS membership meetings and he asked me if I was ready for a position on the RCDS board. At that time, I was honored and

excited to commit to a leadership position. Understanding the private dental sector, after a few years of practicing, allowed for me to recognize what was important for the dental profession and ultimately, providing great care for all of our patients. Seeing other dentists with such a passion to achieve change and have a voice on behalf of other dentists in the community was a true inspiration.

Currently, I hold the position of RCDS president, which has led to my position as an SDDS board member and my involvement with various committees within Second District. Attending these meetings has introduced me to an entire world of dentistry most people do not know exist. I have enjoyed being

the liaison between Second District and Richmond County and providing this subdivision with information about all that our colleagues advocate for.

Organized dentistry is an incredible thing. It is our reinforcement within our profession against the governing and legislative matters that affect us all and subsequently, affect how we are able to successfully and compassionately treat our patients. Many of these issues that are affecting each and every one of us, whether it be from the insurance companies or governmental agencies, are being addressed on the national, state and local levels. Without being involved and educating ourselves on these concerns, we aren't

doing our part to uphold the ethical backbone of the dental profession. Being an advocate for those who don't know how, have the ability to or aren't ready yet is so rewarding. I hope to be able to bring others in, like I have been brought in, to represent our society.

I hope to, of course, be a great dentist for my patients, but also to represent our profession in a way that makes other dentists proud to be a part of their local chapter. It is my hope that my contributions to Second District Dental Society and Richmond County Dental Society will inspire new dentists in the community, like I was inspired by my colleagues as a new dentist to learn a bit more, get involved and have a voice.

## COMPLIANCE WITH CORPORATE TRANSPARENCY ACT FLAGS SECURITY WARNING FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

The Corporate Transparency Act requires dental practices and certain businesses that meet specific requirements to report information to the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network about their ownership.

The Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) began accepting beneficial ownership information reports on Jan. 1, and all existing dental practices and companies that meet the requirements have one year to file before facing penalties.

FinCEN has been notified of recent fraudulent attempts to solicit information from individuals and entities who may be subject to reporting requirements under the Corporate Transparency Act. The fraudulent correspondence may be titled "Important Compliance Notice" and asks the recipient to click on a URL or to scan a QR code. Those e-mails or letters are fraudulent. FinCEN does not send unsolicited requests to individuals or small businesses. Please do not respond to these fraudulent messages or click on any links or scan any QR codes within them.

To ensure the security of your information, please visit fincen.gov/boi to file a report, view informational videos and webinars, find answers to frequently asked questions, connect to the contact center and learn more about how to report. FinCEN's Small Entity Compliance Guide at fincen.gov/boi/small-entity-compliance-guide walks small businesses through the requirements. The ADA also created a FAQ document to help dentists with questions; visit bit.ly/ADA-Corporate-Transparency-Act-FAQ to view it.

The ADA will continue to educate its members about the reporting requirements and will continue to ask that Congress delay the deadline for when owners are required to fill out the beneficial owner forms.



# MLMIC features some of the most competitive dental premiums in the state.

MLMIC offers dentists and oral surgeons a new premium pricing plan that enables policyholders to have their policy reflect their individual practice characteristics. Coverage you can trust along with concierge-level service and exclusive New York-focused extras. The only professional liability carrier for dentists that is endorsed by NYSDA.

## Get a quote today and learn more about MLMIC discounts

Visit MLMIC.com/NY, e-mail dental@mlmic.com or call (800) 416-1241.



## SDDS 2024 OFFICERS & TRUSTEES



**PRESIDENT** Tricia S. Quartey-Sagaille



PRESIDENT-ELECT Paul W. Teplitsky



**VICE PRESIDENT** Valerie A. Venterina



**SECRETARY** Phyllis G. Merlino



**TREASURER** Cherry Libramonte



Paul S. Albicocco



Alyson K. Buchalter



Saad A. Butt



Joann M. De Leonibus



John P. Demas



Michael J. Donato, Jr.



Theressa L. Eliscar-Hewett



Raymond A. Flagiello



Marc Meiselman



Joseph M. Merola



Mitchell D. Mindlin



Charles J. Mistretta



Bryan D. Pieroni



Gisele F. Richard



Stephanie B. Sager



Sandra S. Scibetta



Stuart L. Segelnick



Aia H. Shalan



Ronald Turchak



Kirstin A. Wolfe

## RCDS 2024 OFFICERS & TRUSTEES



**PRESIDENT**Christen J. Carute



PRESIDENT-ELECT Bryan D. Pieroni



VICE PRESIDENT Brian F. Perrone



**TREASURER**Joseph A. Albanese



**SECRETARY** Mark Goodenough



IMMED. PAST PRESIDENT Joseph M. Merola



Michael L. Costa



Alan S. Ingber



Edward Jastremski

## 2024 SDDS LIFE MEMBERS

Second District Dental Society is proud to recognize 10 of our own who have reached a milestone status as life members in the American Dental Association. The individuals whose names are listed below exemplify dedication to the ideals of the dental profession and commitment to organized dentistry. Collectively, this group has accumulated over 360 membership years with SDDS. They have donated countless hours of their time to this Society and its membership, voluntarily serving on numerous local committees and NYSDA or ADA councils. They are mentors to some. They have shared their experiences with many. They are teachers. They are colleagues. Most importantly, though, they are caregivers to the hundreds of patients who have depended upon their professional training and skills as dentists.

#### Congratulations to all of you, with grateful appreciation from all of us!

Dr. Paul S. Albicocco

Dr. Michael Caramico

Dr. Ralph T. Costagliola

Dr. Jean Fayette

Dr. William Goldman

Dr. Michelle S. Meersand

Dr. Ronald Mizrahi

Dr. Bryan D. Pieroni

Dr. Craig S. Ratner

Dr. Steven R. Schwartz

### **SDDS BEST CASE OF THE MONTH:**

## External Cervical Root Resorption: A Case Report

by Rebecca Solomon, D.D.S., Magda Jeznach, D.D.S., Katarzyna Gilewicz, D.D.S., M.S., F.I.C.O.I., New York-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital, Division of Dental Medicine

The following article was selected by the SDDS publication team as the winner of the SDDS Best Case of the Month.

External root resorption is a loss of cementum, dentin and enamel (hard tissue) as a result of odontoclastic activity. It is a natural and desirable process in primary dentition and when it constitutes exfoliation. Root resorption in an adult dentition is a pathological and destructive process, requiring dental intervention.

Heithersay categorized external cervical resorption based on its extension and proximity to the root canal:

Class I, a small cervical lesion with shallow penetration into dentin,

Class II, a well-defined lesion close to the coronal pulp but with little or no extension into radicular dentin,

Class III, a deep invasive lesion into the coronal third of the root,

Class IV, a lesion extending beyond the coronal third of the root.<sup>2</sup>

Patel, Foshi and Mannoci further classified resorption based on a three-dimensional presentation.<sup>3</sup> This classification takes into account circumferential spread that can be detected using CBCT.

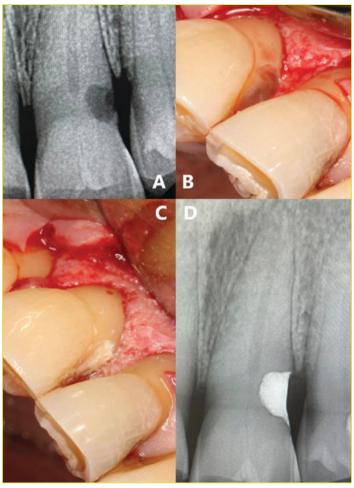
External cervical resorption is challenging to differentiate from caries. Tactile sensation is used to distinguish a resorptive lesion from a carious lesion. Resorptive lesions are typically hard to an explorer, whereas carious lesions are typically soft and sticky when checked with an explorer. If one can visualize a resorptive defect, bleeding may be seen from the tooth surface in the case of inter-

nal resorption. Periodontal probing during a clinical exam may cause profuse bleeding due to granulation tissue filling the defect. The granulation tissue filling the cavity may cause a pinkish discoloration of the enamel. The affected tooth is often asymptomatic until a late stage and responds normally to sensibility testing. External cervical resorption is most commonly detected in maxillary central incisor teeth.<sup>2,4</sup>

The objectives of treatment of external cervical resorption are excavation of the resorptive tissue and sealing of the hard tissue defect. The lesion presented in the photograph is considered class II in Heithersay classification and 2Bd in Patel 3D classification.<sup>2,3</sup>

A 75-year old male patient pre sented to New York-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital, Division of Dental Medicine outpatient clinic for routine dental examination. Patient's medical history was significant for hypertension and hypercholesterolemia. During radiographic examination, tooth #9 was diagnosed as having a deep subgingival carious lesion, with our differential diagnosis of external cervical resorption. The lesion was not detected clinically. Patient did not report any symptoms. Sensibility testing was within normal limits. Patient was scheduled for an open-flap procedure to visualize the defect and determine definitive treatment.

A crestal intrasulcular incision was made and a mucoperiosteal flap was reflected on the buccal and palatal aspects of the tooth to allow for adequate access to the lesion. Granulation tissue was removed from the cavitation and from the periodontal flap using a sharp spoon excavator. Undermined enamel and dentin were



**Figure 1:** a. Preoperative radiograph of resorptive lesion, b. Clinical photograph of lesion after mucoperiosteal flap was reflected, c. Restorative material placement, d. Post-operative radiograph

removed using a round bur in a surgical high-speed handpiece. Literature recommends chemical debridement with 90% aqueous trichloroacetic acid or 3-5% sodium hypochlorite. Area was treated with 5% sodium hypochlorite for 15-30 seconds. MTA (MTA ProRoot, Dentsply Sirona) was used to seal the hard tissue defect. The subgingival location of the lesion dictated the choice of the material in order to achieve better periodontal ligament reattachment. MTA biocompatible material allowed a re-epithelialization of the lesion without leaving a cosmetic defect. In addition, MTA material

provides a barrier if endodontic treatment is warranted in the future

A post-operative CBCT was taken at the one-month follow up appointment to confirm the extent of the lesion and to verify successful placement of the repair material. The tooth was evaluated for signs of irreversible pulpitis, pulpal necrosis, and the status of the periodontal attachment was reassessed. Patient was followed up in a one-week, two-week and four-week interval, with scheduled three-month and six-month follow up appointments where clinical and radiographic evaluation will be completed.

Long-term outcome criteria of resorptive lesions were defined by Jebril.<sup>5</sup> The treated area met those criteria. It presented with sound structural integrity of the restoration, lacks evidence of further progression of the disease process, and demonstrates an endodontically accepted outcome. There were no patient-reported symptoms and the patient was satisfied with the results.

#### References:

- Patel S, Kanagasingam S, Ford PT (2009). External cervical resorption: a review. Journal of Endodontics 35, 616–25.
  Heithersay, GS (1999). Invasive cervical
- resorption: an analysis of potential predisposing factors. Quintessence international 30.2.
  Patel S, et al. (2018). External cervical resorption: a three-dimensional classification. International
- endodontic journal 51.2, 206-214. Mavridou, Athina M., et al. (2017). Descriptive analysis of factors associated with external cervical resorption. Journal of endodontics 43.10, 1602-1610
- Jebril A, Aljamani S, Jarad F (2020). The Surgical Management of External Cervical Resorption: A Retrospective Observational Study of Treatment Outcomes and Classifications. J Endod. 46(6):778-785.

The SDDS Bulletin invites all our hospital resident members to submit a case report of under 1,000 words, with two to four photos, illustrating a thought-provoking clinical case for consideration as SDDS Best Case of the Month. Please make sure you have a signed photo release allowing use of your patients' photos for publication. Photos must have a resolution of 300 ppi or greater.

The SDDS publication team will choose a winning submission every month. The winning article will be published in the SDDS Bulletin, along with the author's photo and biography. The winning author will also receive a \$100 award, with only one award given per case even if there are multiple co-authors. Submissions should be emailed to editor@sddsny.org. Your article may not only help other SDDS members learn from your experience, but also favorably represent your hospital residency program. Visit sddsny.org/ news-publications/best-case-of-themonth for full details.

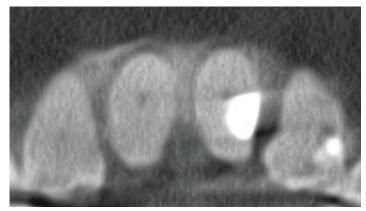


Figure 2: Post-operative CBCT axial view



Figure 3: One month post-operative appearance of cervical resorptive lesion, soft tissue and maxillary left

#### Meet the Best Case of the Month Authors!



Dr. Rebecca Solomon graduated from the University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine in 2022. She has completed her general practice residency at NewYork-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital and is cur-

rently a chief resident at the program. She has interests in restorative dentistry, oral pathology and orthodontics. Outside of the clinic, Dr. Solomon's hobbies include baking, traveling and New York Times crosswords.



Dr. Magda Jeznach is a 2022 graduate of New York University College of Dentistry. She has completed a one-year general practice residency at New York-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital and has

continued her training by accepting the role of chief resident for the year 2023–2024. She has interests in digital dentistry, restorative dentistry and endodontics. In her spare time, Dr. Jeznach is either skiing or scuba diving. Upon completion of her chief year, she hopes to continue practicing in the Brooklyn and New York City area.



Dr. Katarzyna Gilewicz is an attending at NewYork-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital. She serves as a chief of dental implantology.

## We put more teeth into our legal services



We advise, assist and protect dentists with the intricacies of starting, running and transitioning their professional practices.

- · Buying, selling or expanding your practice
- Compliance
- DSOs

- . Hiring & employment
- Succession & estate planning
- Tax, contract & other business issues



NEW YORK | NEW JERSEY | FLORIDA

rivkinradler.com

WWW SDDSNY ORG 11

#### **CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE #2024-08**

\*Advance Registration Required—Register online at sddsny.org\*

Friday, April 26, 2024 ◆ Dyker Beach Golf Course, Brooklyn, NY ◆ 9 A.M.—12 P.M. ◆ MCEU—6 HOURS



#### **Digital Dentistry and Decision Making**

Featured Clinician: JEFFREY R. SHAPIRO, D.D.S.

Visiting Lecturer, New York University College of Dentistry

This will be a step-by-step course to learn the concept of CAD-CAM using intraoral scanners of different systems and proceeding with dental treat-

ments with enhanced predictability by using digital dentistry. It includes all knowledge required to proceed with digital workflow, from the first patient appointment to the use of a virtual patient to perform dental treatment planning and rehabilitating a patient using CAD-CAM technology. It will also include decision-making in dentistry, with review of several challenging clinical cases as well as step-by-step digital waxing procedures and a group of clinical cases with CAD-CAM systems.

All this course content will be presented along with the scientific base and evidence in a very clear way to aid attendees in understanding which procedures are actually predictable and acceptable for which clinical situations. This will ideally help those dental clinicians who are implementing digital technology and CAD-CAM in their clinics and private practices. Specific digital workflows for aesthetic areas and rehabilitations involving surgical procedures such as implant placement will also be discussed in detail. In addition, all knowledge required to understand about all 2D and 3D imaging methods used in digital dentistry will be discussed, including different types of files, roles, limitations, advantages and disadvantages of each imaging method considering the current technologies available for dental clinicians, laboratories and radiology or imaging centers.

Upon successful completion of this course, attendees will:

- · Learn details about imaging methods used in digital dentistry.
- $\bullet \quad \text{Understand how to choose restoration types for the contemporary digital dentist.}\\$
- Understand the use of the virtual patient for dental treatment planning.
- · Learn step-by-step procedures to digitally design prostheses.
- Learn how to implement digital dentistry in their practices for all their patients.
- · Understand CAD-CAM technology in dentistry.
- Understand and implement 3D printing in dentistry.

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE #2024-09

\*Advance Registration Required—Register online at sddsny.org\*
Wednesday, May 1, 2024 ◆ Live webinar via Zoom ◆ 7 P.M. – 9 P.M. ◆ MCEU—2 HOURS



#### The Digital Dentistry Experience

Featured Speaker: ANTHONY RAMIREZ, D.D.S., M.A.G.D., D.I.C.O.I.

Former Chief of Implantology, NewYork-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital

The focus of this presentation is the art and science of digital dentistry. Cone beam CT imaging is the foundation for the complete dental examination.

Take the new patient experience to a new level by providing an interactive, engaging consultation utilizing the concept of co-discovery. Innovative 3D analysis and virtual planning enhances diagnosis and is the basis for improving case acceptance. Gain a thorough understanding of the patient's maxillofacial anatomy by identifying vital structures, reviewing the dentition, bony architecture, pathologies and incidental findings which provide the clinician with the evidence to move forward with a proper diagnosis and formulation of optimal treatment plants.

Single-visit dentistry and advanced implant and restorative concepts and therapies will be explored. We will also review:

- A chairside digital restorative workflow to optimize a more productive and profitable practice with intraoral scanning and CAD/CAM technology.
- Gaining full control of pre-prosthetic and pre-surgical planning with guided implantology for precise, safe and accurate implant placements leading to positive patient experiences.
- How to design, fabricate and utilize computer-generated surgical guides.
- The use of prosthetically driven implants to replace missing teeth with easy to restore implants while minimizing post-op complications.
- Collaborating with the digital dental lab offers additional opportunities to produce superior treatment outcomes by improving communication and incorporating digital smile design concepts and advanced CAD/CAM restorative options.
- Techniques for immediate practice growth by expanding services with higher productivity and greater efficiency, including All-on-X and teeth in a day.

Upon successful completion of this course, attendees will learn:

- How to incorporate the digital workflow to unlock unlimited possibilities to produce all types of restorations and prostheses.
- A methodology to provide guided implantology, digital dentistry and esthetic smile design within a digital workflow.
- 3. To interpret, diagnose and treatment plan using cone beam  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{CT}}$  imaging.

#### **CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE #2024-10**

\*Advance Registration Required—Register online at sddsny.org\*

Friday, May 3, 2024 • SDDS Headquarters, Brooklyn, NY • 9 A.M.—12 P.M. • MCEU—3 HOURS



## The Bioclear Method for Anterior and Posterior Composites

Featured Clinician: ARTHUR R. VOLKER, D.D.S., M.SC., M.S.ED.

Instructor, Bioclear Learning Center

Direct composites are one of the most performed daily procedures, but they can also be one of the most frustrating. This course aims to give the practitioner insight into the Bioclear Method to aid in making the anterior and posterior direct composite restoration more predictable and successful.

Upon successful completion of this course, attendees will:

- 1. Gain familiarity with aspects of aesthetic determinants.
- Discuss composite options as well as determinants for matrix selection in the anterior and posterior.
- Systematize preparation protocols such as isolation and particle abrasion for carious and non-carious restorations.
- 4. Understand the protocol for direct composite injection molding.

#### **RCDS Membership Meeting**

\*Advance Registration Required—Register online at sddsny.org\*

Tuesday, May 21, 2024 ♦ Max's Es-Ca Restaurant, Staten Island, NY ♦ 7 P.M. ♦ MCEU—1 HOUR

## Medication-Related Osteonecrosis of the Jaw: Diagnosis, Management and Treatment

Essayist: MARK GOODENOUGH, D.D.S., M.D.

Member, American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons

This lecture will begin with an introduction to medication-related osteonecrosis of the jaw (MRONJ), including MRONJ definitions, diagnosis and classification and the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons' update on MRONJ and management. It will also cover treatment of MRONJ and clinical cases will be discussed, with an opportunity for questions.

Upon successful completion of this lecture, attendees will:

- Be able to define MRONJ.
- Know how to classify MRONJ.
- Know update practice guidelines.

#### ADA C:E·R·P® | Continuing Education Recognition Program

Second District Dental Society is an ADA CERP Recognized Provider. ADA CERP is a service of the American Dental Association to assist dental professionals in identifying quality providers of continuing dental education. ADA CERP does not approve or endorse individual courses or instructors, nor does it imply acceptance of credit hours by boards of dentistry. Second District Dental Society designates each activity in this brochure for the stated number of continuing education credits.



Second District Dental Society is a recognized sponsor by the N.Y.S. Education Department, ADA CERP and the AGD.

Unless otherwise stated, all featured speakers have disclosed that they do not have any relevant financial arrangements or affiliations with any corporate organizations that would constitute a conflict of interest concerning the continuing education activities stated herein.

Advance registration required for all listed events. Register online at sddsny.org (excluding SDDS Hospital Resident members, SDDS Associate members and SDDS Life members).

SDDS members: Buy more, SAVE MORE! Register for any TWO SDDS courses and get ONE course of equal or lesser value for free (excluding CPR and hands-on courses). To redeem this offer, download a course registration form at www.sddsny.org and mail, fax or email to SDDS Headquarters.

#2024-08 "Digital Dentistry and Decision		#2024-09 "The Digital Dental Experience"		#2024-10 HANDS-ON COURSE: "The Bioclear		"CPR and Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office"	
<u>Making"</u>		SDDS Life Members \$52.50		Method for Anterior and Posterior		*excluded from discount offers*	
SDDS Life Members	\$52.50	SDDS Members	\$75	Composites"*excluded from di	scount offers*	SDDS Members	\$180
SDDS Members	\$75	SDDS Member's Staff	\$50	SDDS Members	\$275	SDDS Member's Staff	\$175
SDDS Member's Staff	\$50	SDDS Hospital Residents	\$25	Non-SDDS Members	\$400	SDDS Residents	\$125
SDDS Hospital Residents	\$25	ADA Members	\$100	Arthur R. Volker, D.D.S., M.Sc., M.S.Ed.		ADA Members/Staff	\$200
ADA Members	\$100	ADA Member's Staff	\$75	Friday, May 3, 2024		Non-ADA Members/Staff	\$295
ADA Member's Staff	\$75	Non-ADA Members	\$110	SDDS Headquarters, Brooklyn		Michael Kaliroff	
Non-ADA Members	\$110	Non-ADA Member's Staff	\$110	9 A.M.–12 P.M.		MCEU - 4.5 hours	
Non-ADA Member's Staff	\$110	Anthony Ramirez, D.D.S., M.A.G.D., D.I.C.O.I. MCEU - 3 hours					
Jeffrey R. Shapiro, D.D.S.		Wednesday, May 1, 2024		Breakfast included		SDDS Headquarters, Brooklyn	
Friday, April 26, 2024		Live webinar via Zoom*				(9:30 A.M3 P.M.)	
Dyker Beach Golf Course, Brooklyn		7 P.M.–9 P.M.		#2024-13 "The Successful Management of		#2024-11 Friday, June 28, 2024	
9 A.M.–12 P.M.		**CEU - 2 hour		Dental Implant Complications"			
MCEU - 3 hours		*Link to join the meeting will be sent to all		SDDS Life Members	\$94.50	Hilton Garden Inn, Staten Island	
Breakfast included		registrants one week prior to the meeting.		SDDS Members	\$135	(9 A.M2:30 P.M.)	
		**This webinar will not provide CEUs towards		SDDS Member's Staff	\$100	#2024-12 Friday, September 13, 2024	
		relicensure.		SDDS Residents	\$35		
				ADA Members/Staff	\$175		
				Non-ADA Members/Staff	\$200		
				Paul S. Rosen, D.M.D., M.S.			
				Friday, September 20, 2024			
				Dyker Beach Golf Course, Brooklyn			
				9 A.M.–4 P.M. MCEU - 6 hours			
				Breakfast and lunch included			

### **Updated Child Abuse Reporting Training Requirements**

ALL licensed dentists and dental hygienists who completed a "once in a lifetime" course must now complete a new Child Abuse Reporting course. This includes newly licensed dentists who completed a New York residency program as of 2023. This course must be completed by April 1, 2025.

Updated Mandated Reporter Training Requirements. Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2021 amended Social Services Law § 413 to require additional training to include protocols to reduce implicit bias in decision-making processes, strategies for identifying adverse child-hood experiences, and guidelines to assist in recognizing signs of abuse or maltreatment while interacting virtually within the New York State Mandated Identification and Reporting of Child Abuse and Maltreatment/Neglect coursework.

This law requires that mandated reporters, including those who have previously undergone the current training, complete the updated training curriculum by **April 1, 2025**.

ALL licensed dentists and dental hygienists who completed a "once in a lifetime" course must now complete a new Child Abuse Reporting course. This includes newly licensed dentists who completed a New York residency program as of 2023.

While Second District does not plan on offering the course at this time, there are MULTI-PLE inexpensive or free on-line options available for you to access the course The course must be approved by the New York State Education Department. Visit op.nysed.gov/about/training-continuing-education/child-abuse-identification-reporting to find a list of course providers.

Please review and select a course provider from this list.

After completing the course:

Documentation in the form of an authorized Certification of Completion must be submitted to the State Education Department at the time of reregistration or initial application for licensure, certification, or a limited permit. Within ten days of coursework completion, the approved provider from whom you obtain the training is required to issue you two copies of the Certification form.

#### Exemptions

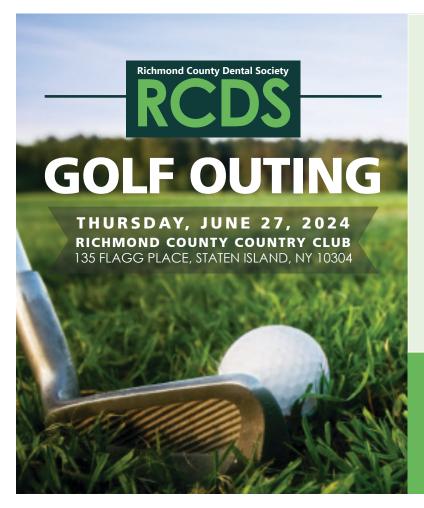
The law exempts from the training an individual who can document, to the satisfaction of the Department, that there is no need for the training based on the nature of his or her practice. You may be eligible for an exemption if the nature of your practice is such that you do not have

professional contact with persons under the age of 18 years and you do not have contact with persons 18 years of age or older with a handicapping condition who reside in a residential care school or facility.

If you wish further information about an exemption, or you wish to request an exemption application please contact:

The New York State
Education Department
Professional Education
ProgramReview
89 Washington Avenue,
2nd Floor West Wing
Albany, New York 12234
Attn: Child Abuse
Training Exemption

A copy of the form can also be downloaded by visiting bit.ly/child-abuse-training (scroll down to the section on "Exemptions" and click on the link titled "exemption application").



Please join Richmond County Dental Society for a great day of golf, food and festivities! Not a golfer? Join us for a fun-filled evening including the reception and awards dinner! Staff, family and friends are invited to attend!

#### **SCHEDULE**

**11 A.M.**Golfer Registration

11:30 A.M. Lunch

**1 P.M.** Shotgun start

**6 P.M.**Reception and Awards Dinner

For full details and registration information, please visit: www.sddsny.org/rcdsevents

\*Golf registration is limited.

Be the first to sign up to secure your spot.

SIGN UP BY JUNE 14TH!

## SDDS Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

#### NOVEMBER 6, 2023 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING (ZOOM)

President Raymond Flagiello called meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

PRESENT: Drs. Flagiello, Buchalter, Mistretta, Libramonte, Carute, Richard, De Leonibus, Demas, Meiselman, Donato, Mindlin, Albicocco, Teplitsky, Merlino, Turchak, Butt, Sager, Segelnick, Quartey-Sagaille and Venterina; Mr. Bernard Hackett

**EXCUSED:** Drs. Wolfe, Scibetta, Rosenwein and Bongiorno

GUESTS: Drs. John Young, Jr., Richard Oshrain, Michael Erdos, Steven Gounardes, Lorna Flamer-Caldera, Constantine Pavlakos and James Sconzo; Mr. Tom Loughran

**MOTION APPROVED:** To accept the minutes of October 2, 2023 meeting as amended

#### **MEMBERSHIP:**

**DECEASED MEMBERS:** (None)

**NEW MEMBERS:** (None)

#### **REINSTATEMENTS:**

- Dr. Galina Feynberg—New York University, 2002
- Dr. Rachel Iospa—Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, 2007
- Dr. Shiva Basir— Columbia University, 2009
- Dr. Vincent Pannone—New York University, 2016

#### **TRANSFERS:**

 Dr. Marie Kwok—New York University, 2020 (Transferred from New York County Dental Society)

#### **RESIDENTS:**

#### Woodhull

- Dr. Kevin Thomas—Missouri School of Dentistry and Oral Health, 2023
- Dr. Yakov Kalendarev—New York College of Dentistry, 2023

- Dr. Yoonsuk Choi— New York University, 2023
- Dr. Sarah Kim— New York University, 2020

#### **Brooklyn Hospital Center**

- Dr. Jasmine Pei—Columbia University, 2023
- Dr. Jennifer Shvets— New York University, 2023
- Dr. Dory Kasper—The State University of New Jersey: Rutgers 2023
- Dr. Suhan Mestha—University of California: San Fransisco, 2023

#### New York Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist

- Dr. Weng Si Chan—The State University of New York: Stony Brook University, 2023
- Dr. Caroline Aronin— Columbia University, 2023
- Dr. Michelle Shamaev— New York University, 2023
- Dr. Claire Droumbakis—Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, 2022
- Dr. Sylvia Moon— New York University, 2023
- Dr. Michael Borshov—
   Nova Southeastern University, 2023
- Dr. Vivian Pak— New York University, 2023
- Dr. Natasha Patel— University of Connecticut, 2023
- Dr. Karen Doh—The State University of New York: Stony Brook University, 2023
- Dr. Jonathan Korabelnikov—The State University of New York: Stony Brook University, 2023

MOTION PASSED: To accept the proposed residents, reinstatements and transfers to membership

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

See "Upcoming Events" calendar

#### **REPORT OF OFFICERS AND STAFF:**

President—Dr. Raymond Flagiello: Progress

President-Elect—Dr. Tricia Quartey-Sagaille: Progress

#### Treasurer—Dr. Phyllis Merlino:

• Account balances reported

Executive Director—Mr. Bernard Hackett: Mr. Hackett report emailed

#### **NYSDA/HOD REPORT:**

Dr. John Demas report emailed; EDPAC meeting attended w/ Speaker Hastings, discussed dental therapists as alternative treatment providers in underserved areas

#### **ADA/HOD REPORTS:**

Council on Dental Education & Licensure— Dr. Deborah Pasquale: Report emailed; NYS manpower issues

Council on Dental Benefits Programs: Report Emailed

#### **SDDS REPORTS:**

#### Greater New York Dental Meeting— Dr. Richard Oshrain:

- Reported on GNYDM progress—all numbers are up year over year and approaching 2019 (pre-pandemic), i.e., booth sales, sponsorships, registrations, visa applications, education enrollments and exhibitors
- All are invited to the GNYDM cocktail party and celebrity luncheon
- Dr. John Young, Jr. to be next year's general chairman of GNYDM
- Mr. Tom Loughran presented the GNYDM budget for next year with an approximate 5% increase and an increase in net profit

**NEW BUSINESS:** (None)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** (None)

**GOOD & WELFARE:** (None)

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

## SDDS Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

#### DECEMBER 4, 2023 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING (ZOOM)

President Raymond Flagiello called meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Drs. Flagiello, Buchalter, Mistretta, Libramonte, Carute, Richard, De Leonibus, Demas, Meiselman, Donato, Jr., Mindlin, Albicocco, Teplitsky, Merlino, Turchak, Butt, Sager, Segelnick and Venterina; Mr. Bernard Hackett

**EXCUSED:** Drs. Wolfe, Scibetta, Rosenwein, Bongiorno, Shalan and Quartey-Sagaille

<u>**GUESTS:**</u> Drs. John Young, Jr., Richard Oshrain, Ian Lerner, Lorna Flamer-Caldera and Jose Santana; residents from Wyckoff and Methodist hospitals

**MOTION APPROVED:** Minutes of November 6, 2023 Board meeting were accepted and approved

#### **MEMBERSHIP:**

#### **DECEASED MEMBERS:**

 Dr. Isabel T. Whitehill-Grayson— New York University, 1961

#### **NEW MEMBERS:** None

#### **REINSTATEMENTS:**

- Dr. Alexis K. Fermanis— Columbia University, 2002
- Dr. Danielle Fridline—The State University of New York: Stony Brook University, 2009

#### **TRANSFERS:**

- Dr. Jan Khorsandi—Nova Southeastern University, 2001 (Transferred from New York County Dental Society)
- Dr. Zachary J. Goldsmith—New York University, 2019 (Transferred from New York County Dental Society)
- Dr. Alan Zhou—New York University, 2019 (Transferred from Eighth District Dental Society)
- Dr. Parth Savani—New York University, 2021(Transferred from New York County Dental Society)
- Dr. Adam H. Schwartz—Touro College of Dental Medicine at NYMC, 2021 (Transferred from New York County Dental Society)

- Dr. Ryan J. Zucker—New York University, 2021 (Transferred from New York County Dental Society)
- Dr. Jeremiah D'Anna—New York University, 2021 (Transferred from New York County Dental Society)

#### **RESIDENTS:**

#### Brookdale University Hospital and Medical Center

- Dr. Ayesha Khan— University of Pennsylvania, 2023
- Dr. Diego Rivas—University of Texas School of Dentistry at Houston, 2023
- Dr. Gershon Eichen—
   The State University of NJ: Rutgers 2023
- Dr. Anjelica Saclayan— Temple University, 2023
- Dr. Tanya Aboukaff— Temple University, 2020

#### **Maimonides Medical Center**

- Dr. Brandon Remer— New York University, 2023
- Dr. Stanley Spektor— New York University, 2023

#### **NYU Langone Hospitals**

- Dr. Seo Hyun Kim—
   The Ohio State University, 2023
- Dr. Ahmed Ussman—Loma Linda University School of Dentistry, 2023
- Dr. Parasteh Malhini— University of Pennsylvania, 2023
- Dr. Jae Hee Kim— Temple University, 2020
- Dr. Rania Melhem—
   New York College of Dentistry, 2023
- Dr. Christopher Clarke— New York University, 2023
- Dr. Siyu Leng—New York University, 2023
- Dr. Michelle Kim—Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, 2023

#### The Brooklyn Hospital Center

- Dr. Jennife Shvets— New York University, 2023
- Dr. WooSung Chang— Columbia University, 2023

#### NewYork-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital

- Dr. Hyun Jee Lee—University of Southern California, 2023
- Dr. Keisy Bonano Baez—University of Puerto Rico, 2023
- Dr. Charlotte Martin— Columbia University, 2023

#### Staten Island University Hospital

- Dr. Dina Alsharif—The State University of NJ: Rutgers, 2023
- Dr. Mohamed Alsharif—The State University of NJ: Rutgers, 2023
- Dr. Sandra Battista— New York University, 2023
- Dr. Ummia Zaman— New York University, 2023
- Dr. Mark Fiorello—University of Colorado, 2023
- Dr. Kristina Accardo—The State University of NJ: Rutgers 2023

**MOTION PASSED:** To accept the new members as previously noted

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

See "Upcoming Events" calendar

#### **REPORT OF OFFICERS AND STAFF:**

#### President—Dr. Raymond Flagiello:

- Thanked the Board for a very successful and enjoyable year
- Encouraged our young dentists to get involved so as to "pass the torch" and keep dentistry a vibrant profession

## Treasurer—Dr. Phyllis Merlino (given by Mr. Hackett):

- Gave status of Chase operating and savings
- Vanguard increased; portion redeemed from reserve for expenses. We must stay frugal

#### Executive Director— Mr. Bernard Hackett:

- Heating repaired
- Thanked the Board for their participation at GNYDM volunteer dinner, cocktail party and GNYDM as a whole

## SDDS Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

- Peer review case referred to SDDS from First District
- Thanked Dr. Flagiello for a great year as president

#### **NYSDA REPORTS:**

NYSDA Trustee Report—Dr. John Demas (emailed)

- Discussed dental therapists as alternative treatment providers in underserved areas; NYSDA position is now officially opposed to this proposed legislation
- At this time, California HOD pulled their plan for now to make ADA national membership optional

ADA Report—ADA Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs (emailed):

 ADAPAC donated \$2,500 to Nicole Malliotakas on our behalf as she is our congresswoman from Staten Island and part of Brooklyn and an avid supporter of dentistry Council on Peer Review—Dr. Man Sing Cheung (emailed):

 As per Mr. Hackett, Council will reevaluate term limits on council so as not to lose talented, knowledgeable individuals.

Council on Ethics—Dr. Paul Teplitsky (emailed):

 Plan to revise & update NYSDA Code of Ethics underway.

#### **SDDS REPORTS:**

Greater New York Dental Meeting Report—Dr. Richard Oshrain:

- Thanked all who participated at GNYDM
- Reported on GNYDM success, preliminary numbers (gross v. net)
- Many SDDS members attended the GNYDM volunteer dinner and cocktail party

 There was a lively discussion concerning plans for next year. Dr. Butt presented a projection for GNYDM future. Budget has not yet been approved

#### Richmond County Dental Society— Dr. Christen Carute:

 RCDS installation dinner at Richmond County Country Club will be on Jan. 27, 2024 with a magical mystical theme. All are invited

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** (None)

**GOOD & WELFARE:** (None)

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

## **FOLLOW US!**



facebook.com/SDDSofNY



twitter.com/SDDSofNY



instagram.com/SDDSofNY

### 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**

ASSOCIATE ENDODONTIST IN DOWNTOWN BROOKLYN Seeking an associate endodontist in downtown Brooklyn. We have microscope, cone beam, latest technology. Pay 2-3K a day, 5–6 days a month. Contact: Dr. Robert Amirian | bkdentist@gmail.com

PART TIME PEDIATRIC DENTIST WANTED: Seeking a part time Pediatric dentist for a busy well established practice in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. Contact: Dr. Howard Silver | (718) 486-8900 | hsilverdds@verizon.net

ASSOCIATE DENTIST WANTED: Modern private practice in Brooklyn (Kings Highway) is seeking an associate dentist proficient in performing all phases of dentistry. There are both parttime and full-time opportunities. If you are looking for a career opportunity with unlimited professional growth potential or a partnership track, please contact us or email your resume. Contact: Dr. Safonova | (718) 376-1090 | taladentalinfo@gmail.com

ENDODONTIST IN TODT HILL: Seeking Endodontist for busy Staten Island endodontic practice (Todt Hill area). PPO/Fee for service. Hours Flexible. High Pay (2k + per day). Contact: Dr. Brad Levine | Blevinem@aol.com

#### PERIODONTIST WITH PREMIER PRAC-

TICE: Looking for a Periodontist with high quality practice to join/merge into my well established, restorative/cosmetic practice in Staten Island, NY. My practice is high end and focused on fee for service. The office is conveniently located near mass transportation and easily accessible. We have a professional and capable staff. For further details, please contact Steven G. Contact: 917-428-8848 | steven.g@btqconsult.com

**ASSOCIATE GENERAL DENTIST—STATEN ISLAND, NY:** State of the art practice in South Shore looking for a part-time associate general dentist 1–2 days per week. We have iTero, Medit, Panoramic, CBCT, Digital Crown/Bridge Impressions, Zimmer implants, Composites only (no amalgam, no PFM). **Call/text:** Dr. Balaes to discuss opportunity. Contact: 646-830-1223

#### DENTIST WITH NUCLEUS PRACTICE:

Looking for dentist with high quality practice to join/merge into my well established, restorative/cosmetic practice in Park Slope, NY. Potential for future buy out. My practice is high-end and focused on fee for service. The office is located conveniently by train lines; with a professional and capable staff. For further details, please contact Dr. Leonard Brenner. **Contact:** 516-840-6153 | BRNRDNTL@AOL.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

PEDIATRIC DENTISTS—ONE BROOK-LYN 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 METHODIST 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 at info@sddsny.org

### Classifieds

#### DENTAL OFFICE FOR SALE ON STATEN

**ISLAND:** Near Verrazano Bridge. Practice and building for sale. 2024 gross over \$1.8 million. 11 operatories; 2,500 sq ft. Four hygienists, endodontist, orthodontist and periodontist on staff; digital Panorex and CBCT scan. Well-established 38-year-old practice. Dexis X-rays. Retiring but will stay for smooth transition. **Call:** (732) 616-7500.

**PRACTICE FOR SALE:** Midtown. 24/7 accessible. 2 chair GP office retiring. 80 active patients. \$30,000. **CV to:** clcdds@optonline.net

**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 at: (718) 435-0045.

#### DENTAL OFFICE FOR SALE WITH REAL

**ESTATE:** Amazing location, on the corner of Ocean Parkway and Church Avenue, fully equipped two operatory 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 turn key practice and own real estate at reasonable price!! **Please call:** (862) 485-5535.

BAY RIDGE, PRIME LOCATION: State-of-theart, fully equipped, ultra-modern office on first floor in private building. 1,200 square feet, handicap accessible, heavy traffic. One block from train/bus. Two operatories available 1-3 days. Fully computerized, digital Sirona Panorex, Dexis digital X-ray system. TV/computer screens in front/back of treatment rooms, lab, private office, N202. Surround sound stereo system throughout office, 24-hour surveillance cameras and basement storage space. Have your own space without the headaches. Turn key situation. Option for future purchase of longestablished private practice is negotiable. Daily rates also available. Unique opportunity. Contact: Dr. D. at (917) 658-4954 or docs@amendentalsmiles.com.

#### STATEN ISLAND GENERAL PRACTICE:

Fantastic opportunity. Two-dentist partnership transitioning to retirement. Five operatories (3 dental, 2 hyg), avg. gross \$1.3 mil. 80% PPO & 20% FFS. No Medicaid, no DMOs. **Contact:** Paul Flagg at dentalbusdevel@gmail.com.

**DENTAL PRACTICE FOR SALE:** Establish office for over 30 years. Six operatories, staff lounge, doctors office and reception area large building area. It's on a corner location. **Call:** (646) 522-0318.

**DENTAL OPERATORY/OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT IN PARK SLOPE:** Full or part time available. Modern up-to-date office in great location. **Call:** (718) 788-3290 to discuss.

### 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.





Are you in need of a

# **DENTAL ASSISTANT**?

The Dental Auxiliary Training Center's (DATC) "Fundamentals of Chairside Dental Assisting" course which started in September 2023 ended in December 2023 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 <a href="https://www.datcny.com">www.datcny.com</a>. As has been our policy for the last 38 years, there is <a href="https://www.datcny.com">never a fee</a> for this service. Please call Lisa Lyle at 1(888) 595-3282 for more information.