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A BULLETIN FOR NEW HAVEN DENTAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

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NEW HAVEN DENTAL ASSOCIATION

LAUREL VIEW COUNTRY CLUB

THURSDAY, February 7, 2008

HOME TALENT NIGHT

Drs. Ron Delfini and Harvey Cedarbaum – “Titanium in the Golden Years”

Dr. Bruce Cha - “Current Trends in Endodontic Ni-Ti Rotary Instrumentation”

Dr. Brian Evans – “Esthetic Crown Lengthening”

PLUS

Domestic Abuse CE
“New Haven Family Violence Prevention”

Cost: \$38 payable to the New Haven Dental Association

Cocktails at 6:00, Dinner at 6:15

Jacket and Tie required

Dinner Choices: Chicken, Prime Beef, Pasta

Please RSVP by February 4th to Dr. Yiming King at (203) 624-5181 or by
email to

yimingk@hotmail.com

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE
LAUREL VIEW COUNTRY CLUB IN HAMDEN. WE NEED RSVP'S
BY MONDAY February 4TH. YOU CAN VISIT THEIR WEBSITE AT
WWW.LAURELVIEWCC.COM FOR DIRECTIONS OR CALL THEM AT
203-281-0670. OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT ELI'S ON
WHITNEY IN HAMDEN.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome Back Colleagues!

This post-holiday time of year is a reflective time. The responsibilities of our social engagements and gift giving are complete, and we are now left with the task of asking ourselves, how did we do last year? What can we do to improve ourselves? What changes can we implement to enrich our lives and the lives of our families and friends? As we each seek to answer these questions in our own way, I'm back at the task of reminding you about our membership and the announcements at hand.

Our next meeting launches the second half of our planned program, which you'll see re-capped in the body of the newsletter. This February meeting includes a mandatory CE on domestic violence, titled "New Haven Family Violence Prevention". Jack Levine has organized this talk for us. He has invited three other guests. They are: Tracey Parks, Domestic Violence Services of Greater New Haven; Jackie Farrell, Asst Exec Director of the Coordinating Council for Children in Crisis; and Barbara Moynihan PhD APRN, Professor of Forensic Nursing Quinnipiac University. A short talk will ensue, followed by a 15 minute DVD, and Q/A. I'd like to take this moment to thank Jack and his guests in advance for assisting us with this mandatory CE talk. So be sure to pick up a voucher on the way out.

The February meeting is called Home Talent Night. Three member teams have stepped forward to illustrate topics of their choice or case studies. This year's presenters are Ron Delfini/Harvey Cedarbaum, Brian Evans and Bruce Cha. The titles of their presentations are on our cover page. Again, thank you in advance for your presentations.

February is also the month of our annual Give Kids a Smile Program (GKAS). This is a national outreach program that has grown tremendously over the years and has already made an immeasurable impact on Connecticut children's dental health. Locally, I like to offer kudos to Jerry Alexander and Gary Rappaport who, together with Donna Orefice and the University of New Haven team have organized a second annual volunteer day at the UNH Dental Hygiene School. This year's event takes place on February 9th, so if you haven't volunteered yet, please consider doing so. Contact Jerry or Gary directly for more information. This one day event isn't a cure-all; it's a wake-up call. Volunteer and help us raise awareness that our children deserve a better health care system that addresses their dental health needs.

Again, welcome back, and I wish you all a prosperous New Year!

Joe

UPCOMING LINE UP FOR NHDA

March 6th Tech Night : The Chartless Office – Don't Go There? Sullivan/Schein reps

April 3rd Staff Night: Dr. Meir Kryger "Are you sleeping well? What we need to know about sleep"

Plus Mandatory CE #3 – BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS

May 1st Annual Banquet

GIVE KIDS A SMILE

Our second annual Give Kids a Smile Day is almost here – February 9 at UNH. Planning is just about completed and we are excited about this event. Thank you to all the dentists and assistants who have volunteered their services. Thank you to all the dentists who have made monetary contributions. It's not too late to send a donation. Make checks payable to SADHA {Student American Dental Hygiene Association} and send to Donna Orefice, R.D.H., Director UNH School of Dental Hygiene, 300 Orange Ave., West Haven, CT 06516. Also thank you to the great support from the staff at the University of New Haven School of Dental Hygiene, Donna Orefice, Jack Berns, Gwen Grasso, Renee' Prajer, Mark Kacerik, and Teal Mercer. Thank you to Sullivan Schein for their support of this event. Finally thank you to our collaborators from the Hospital of St. Raphael Dental Van, Sharon McKrevin, R.D.H. and Elaine Spinato. Without their help, this event would not happen. We hope to have a great day and hopefully give many kids something to smile about.

Connecticut's Mission of Mercy

The Connecticut State Dental Association is embarking upon a remarkable humanitarian effort, to reach out and provide dental care to the citizens of our state that need care the most. This project is called "Connecticut Mission of Mercy", or CTMOM. The inaugural event will take place **April 11-13, 2008 at Tolland High school**. Future projects will be conducted in underserved areas of the state where there are not enough dental practitioners to adequately address the oral health needs of the community. Due to the lack of public transportation infrastructure in many underserved areas in Connecticut, patient transportation will be arranged through partnerships with local transit services that will provide shuttle service to and from the CTMOM location.

Services provided will be set up by service categories, which are preventive services (cleaning, x-rays, fluoride treatments), oral surgical (extractions and biopsies) and restorative services (fillings).

Volunteer dental professionals from private practice, clinic and residency settings and school settings will be required to fill out tracking forms for each patient served, noting the type and number of procedures performed. If a patient needs follow – up care (extractions, etc.), he or she will receive a post-op form that includes a local dentist or clinic where he or she can go for treatment. Should the individual experience complications in the days immediately following the clinic, the availability of a provider is crucial and affords the patient with the opportunity to receive good standards of care from a dentist who has agreed to see CTMOM patients.

Despite the donated equipment and labor, there remain operating expenses of the program. Connecticut's Mission of Mercy project aims to serve approximately 750 patients for the first year and the dental materials and supplies needed to keep the program functioning need to be purchased. It is estimated that a budget of \$107,000.00 is needed (based upon the costs incurred by other state's programs) to supply \$375,000.00 to \$450,000.00 of free care for the Tolland County location. The majority of patients seen will not have any type of insurance coverage.

Connecticut's Mission of Mercy is seeking donations from local Dental Societies, businesses and from individuals. Donations are tax deductible and all donors will be noted in future publications.

Connecticut Mission of Mercy Component Society Donor Honor Roll

___\$25.00 Incisor Club

___\$250.00 Molar Club

___\$50.00 Canine Club

___ \$500.00 The Arch Club

___\$100.00 Premolar Club

___\$ 1,000.00 + The Full Dentition Club

___ \$_____ Friend's Club

Thank you for your support!

Make checks payable to the CSDF in care of the CTMOM Project

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEARLY DEPARTED

- Dr. Allan R. Frankel, 78, died on November 21, 2007. Born in New Haven in 1929, he was the devoted husband of Claire Frankel and father of Jay and Rick Frankel and cherished grandfather of Hannah and Emma. Dr. Frankel practiced dentistry for nearly 50 years in New Haven and was the Chief of the Section of Restorative Dentistry at Yale-New Haven Hospital for many years.

- Dr. Richard Grossman, 83, devoted husband of 53 years of Roberta Grossman, died Thursday, January 24, 2008. Born in Los Angeles in 1924, he was the father of Alan Grossman and Debra Grossman and Ellen Habelow and grandfather of Leslie & Paul Habelow & Benjamin Grossman. Dick attended the University of Connecticut, graduated from Indiana University and the University of Pennsylvania Dental School. He began his own dental practice in Branford in 1954. During WWII, Dick served with the Army in the European Theater of Operations as a Medic with the 11th Armored Division-Thunderbolts. He was a Past-President of the New Haven Dental Association and a member of the Clinical faculty of the Dental Dept. of Yale New Haven Hospital.