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A BULLETIN FOR NEW HAVEN DENTAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

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NEW HAVEN DENTAL ASSOCIATION

NEW HAVEN COUNTRY CLUB

THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2008

STAFF NIGHT: Dr. Meir Kryger
"Are you sleeping well? What we need to
know about sleep."

PLUS

MANDATORY CE REQUIREMENT: BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS

Cost: \$38 payable to the New Haven Dental Association
Cocktails at 6:00, Dinner at 6:15
Dinner Choices: BUFFET
Please RSVP by APRIL 1ST to
Dr. Yiming King at (203) 624-5181
or by email to yimingk@hotmail.com

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Colleagues,

Spring is in the air!

I would like to thank the many members and the Henry Schein speakers who attended our last Tech Night presentation on transitioning the dental office to the digital age. While I embrace the need to keep informed and actually desire to implement some of the recommended changes – the chartless office, digital radiographs, 3-D patient education software – the burden of doing so sometimes feels too overwhelming. We are lucky at this stage to take this information and these proposed changes at our own pace. But looming somewhere down the horizon is the potential requirement to do so. Why do I feel that the insurance companies may have something to do with it. So thanks for staying informed and showing interest.

Our next monthly session is our Staff Night, and our featured speaker is Meir Kryger, MD. Dr. Kryger is Director of Research and Education at Gaylord Hospital Sleep Medicine, and a clinical professor of medicine at the University Of Connecticut School Of Medicine. The title of the talk is “Are you sleeping well? What we need to know about sleep”, and in addition to educating us on available dental remedies for sleep apnea and other sleep disorders, I’m sure we will each learn a great deal about the current knowledge on sleep. I still don’t remember many of my dreams. Hopefully, he’ll cover this topic. A CE voucher will be made available after the talk.

We are sponsoring our third Mandatory CE on blood borne pathogens. Presented by the Saint Raphael's Occupational Health Plus team, this is an opportunity for dentists, hygienists and assistants to earn CE credits for our respective professions. Do you or your staff members remember what steps are required for finger stick protocols? Come to this talk to get a refresher on topics like these. So share the invite with everyone at the office. This talk satisfies your Board’s commitment to present 3 mandatory CE credits each fiscal year, so that you may achieve your 5 mandatory credits every two years. Take advantage of the opportunity to sit through these required talks in the company of your friends and colleagues.

Coming next month is Connecticut’s first Mission of Mercy outreach program held in Tolland, Connecticut. This is the volunteer effort to provide pro bono dental care over a weekend to members of the community without dental insurance. I’m planning to volunteer for the Saturday and the call is for 4:30am orientation. There’s a shortage of dental assistant volunteers, so I may be assisting one of you out there - again, maybe something else to learn! Look out for advance news on next year’s Mission planned in New Haven.

My best wishes to all of you,

Joe

ABOUT OUR SPEAKERS

Meir Kryger, MD FCPCP is Director of Research and Education at Gaylord Sleep medicine. Recently relocated from Manitoba, where he was a professor of medicine, he is currently clinical professor of medicine at University of Connecticut. He has been treating patients with sleep disorders and has been doing research in sleep for over 30 years. He is the chief editor of the most widely used textbook used in sleep medicine, The Principles and Practice of Sleep Medicine, which is currently in its fourth edition and Co-Editor of Principles and Practice of Pediatric Sleep Medicine. He has published more than 200 research reports and book chapters. He has served as president of both the Canadian Sleep Society and the American Academy of Sleep Medicine, and is Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Sleep Foundation.

Dr. Peter Amato is board-certified in occupational medicine and has been the medical director of Saint Raphael's Occupational Health Plus for the past 14 years. He is also the part-time Medical Director for Berkley Administrators and is a Commanding Officer in the Naval Reserves.

Carolyn Gregory is a Certified Occupational Health Nurse and has extensive experience in Occupational Health Nursing. Her work experience includes Bestfoods Baking Company, Yale Occupational and Environmental Medicine Program, Warner-Lambert and UpJohn. Both Carolyn and Dr. Amato have comprehensive knowledge of Federal and State Regulations, OSHA and Workers' Compensation Laws.

Saint Raphael's Occupational Health Plus works with a number of Greater New Haven dental practices to provide exposure injury care. Carolyn and another staff member, Susan Fair PA, have both provided bloodborne pathogen training for the University Of New Haven School Of Dental Hygiene. In addition to managing the Hamden clinic, Carolyn also oversees onsite programs - which to dental practices may mean - tuberculosis screening, administration of Hepatitis B/ flu vaccine and bloodborne pathogen training.

Also in attendance are Debbie Hunter RN, and Phil Noto who are both sales representatives with Saint Raphael's Occupational Health Plus.

Budget Review

	2006-2007		2007-2008	2008-2009
INCOME	BUDGETED	YTD ACTUAL	BUDGETED	BUDGETED
Dues	14,000.00	\$12,650.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00
Trustee Acct	10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$16,500.00
Meetings/Outings	12,000.00	\$12,233.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Totals:	36,000.00	\$34,883.00	\$39,000.00	\$42,500.00
EXPENSES				
Meetings/Outings	14,000.00	\$18,668.00	\$16,000.00	\$17,000.00
Annual Meeting	4,000.00	\$4,144.00	\$4,500.00	\$5,000.00
Charity	500.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Honoraria	1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Telephone	400.00	\$807.43	\$400.00	\$1,000.00
Supplies	100.00	\$344.58	\$1,000.00	\$500.00
Dental Health Ed	2,000.00	\$1,908.00	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00
Secretarial	900.00	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$900.00
Postage/Printing	3,500.00	\$3,583.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00
Gifts	200.00	\$184.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Misc	100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Executive Board	3,500.00	\$2,565.00	\$4,000.00	\$5,500.00
H.O.D	600.00	\$123.54	\$600.00	\$300.00
Scholarship	3,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Professional Fee's	600.00	\$575.00	\$600.00	\$700.00
Bank Charges	100.00	\$78.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Web Site	1,000.00	\$316.00	\$400.00	\$900.00
Totals:	36,000.00	\$37,296.55 ##	\$39,000.00	\$42,500.00

difference made up by surplus from 2005-6

* Increase to provide for expenses connected with CT MOM in New haven 2009

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NHDA Golf Tournament

**Thursday, June 12, 2008
11:45am Lunch will be served
1:00 Golf starts**

Format: 18 holes \$160 per person (\$80 for NHCC Members)

**Checks payable to New Haven Dental Association
Send to Joseph Siracuse, DMD,
265 Church Street., New Haven, CT 06510
Phone Number: 203.777.6461**

**Entrée Selection: Tenderloin of Beef w/ Bordelaise sauce
Poached Salmon w/ Hollandaise sauce
Roasted Chicken w/ Red Wine Reduction sauce**

**New Haven Country Club has a soft spike shoe policy. Players with metal spikes will not be allowed on the course. The maximum number of golfers allowed to play is 24.
Please indicate choice of entrée when sending in check.**