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MARCH MEETING NOTICE

THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2003

Dr. Robert Alexander

Overdentures and Beyond

New Haven Country Club

6:00 PM *Cocktails*

6:45 PM *Dinner*

7:30 PM *Program*

RSVP to Dr. Karen Gallo — 467-3333

by Tuesday March 4, 2003.

You may mail your reservation and payment to her office at
36 Main Street, East Haven, CT 06512

A **Buffet Dinner** will be served.

Cost will be **\$34** with a reservation and **\$38** without a reservation.

Members are welcome to attend the program portion at no charge.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

One of the nicer aspects of being President is the perspective it provides for viewing things from the top. The overview is not only enlightening, but at times, very encouraging. This past month is a great case in point. February was filled with opportunity for involvement and volunteerism. What I saw was so impressive and heartening. I wish to share a little bit.

The entire dental community rose to the occasion and worked together during Children's Dental Health Month. The NHDA, UNH Dental Hygiene School, Eli Whitney DA Program, along with numerous docs and their staff got involved in classroom presentations, Dinomite Day at the Peabody Museum and the Give Kids A Smile event. These are wonderful examples of the collaborative effort, magnanimous volunteerism, and organized dentistry's commitment to the betterment of our community.

I want to especially thank Richmond Hung, CHDM chairman, for his diligent effort and capable leadership in this entire project. He is a good example of our younger members taking their place in our association. Richmond was ably assisted by Doug Rollins, who finally got his Dudley the Dinosaur costume, and made his debut in the Hall of Dinosaurs at the Peabody Museum on Dinomite Day. Such theater! Congratulations Doug!

I wish to thank everyone who went to the classrooms, did the Peabody event or treated needy kids as part of the Give Kids A Smile or Doctors With A Heart programs. I hope that the experience was rewarding and you will continue to reach out to our community.

In February, we also had **Home Talent Night**. My sincere thanks to Drs. Jerry Alexander, Bruce Cha, Avie Goldstein and Rob Golia, Jack Levine, Jim Pucci and Barry Weiss for their presentations. It is never a small commitment to present before colleagues. The evening was a great success...all due to their willingness to share their time and talent. Thanks again everyone!

Giving is so good ...so therapeutic. It is impossible to give without receiving something in return. Often, we get back even more than we give. In a world where urgent things scream for our time and attention, it is easy to neglect the quiet but important principles of giving and volunteerism which makes a society noble. So much of my experience in organized dentistry, that has been rewarding, was because of what I had first given. **I would like to encourage every member not to neglect their gifts, use them wisely and generously and make a difference, not only in your community but here in your own profession. You and your association will both be better for it.**

Hope to see you all at the March meeting. Our speaker will be Jerry Alexander's brother. Please come and invite a colleague.

Dean

It is one of the most beautiful compensations of this life that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself.

Emerson

Guest Speaker for the March 6, 2003 Meeting

Our guest speaker will be **Dr. Robert Alexander**. We are very pleased to have Bob speak to our association. Bob has been in private practice in West Hartford since 1973 with emphasis on prosthetics. His presentation is not to be missed.



The program will be **“Overdentures and Beyond”**. . . discussing overdentures from a historical and clinical perspective with particular emphasis on the “Crown and Sleeve Coping Prosthesis” concept as conceived by Dr. Irving Yalislove and incorporated into Bob's practice over the last 30 years. Bob is looking forward to meeting with the members of our society. Please plan on attending for what promises to be a very informative evening. Thank you.

Children's Dental Health Month

By Dr. Richmond Hung, Chairperson



Children's Dental Health Month has been an overall success with a grass roots like gathering of volunteers and enthusiasm publicizing the importance of healthy teeth and gums! Dentists, hygienists, and staff have reached out to all first graders in the New Haven and surrounding school systems and distributed bountiful gifts of brushes, paste, bookmarks, posters, and knowledge. Dr. Delfini was personally touched by his experience with the first graders and will forever cherish his coloring book.

The Yale Peabody Event was a great success with the attendance reaching almost 1000 individuals last Sunday. The event was graced with the presence of Noel Bishop, Executive Director of the CSDA, and ubiquitous sightings of Dudley the Dinosaur (thanks, Doug Rollins!). Dr. Mike Margolies manned the mouth guard station herding kids from all corners of the Great Hall and provided dental protection for future baseball and basketball stars. Ms. Sandy Palumbo, Director of UNH Hygiene Program, provided tremendous support and effort with her multiple clinic tables and ensured highly educated dental patients with future healthy teeth and gums. Janice McMorran and Angela Macolino of Eli Whitney ventured into their first Peabody by distributing out hundreds and hundreds of goodie bags filled with toothbrushes, toothpaste, dinosaur stickers, and removable tattoos making a bunch of happy kids! Sharon McCrevin and her crew offered an introduction to the Smiles to Go Van and even Dr. Henry Wong from the YNH GPR offered a lending hand. Personal thanks go out to Sumi of Dr. Delfini's office whose artistic abilities and improvisation highlighted Chris Rowland's lively entertainment.



Many thanks to all those who donated toothbrushes and made the month and the event a grand success. Special thanks to my staff but especially Lisa Schroeder and family, Becky Decko, Patty Hendrick, and Jennifer Cole who, without their efforts and time, would be facing 1000 unhappy parents and kids at the Peabody by themselves.

February Events – Dinomite Day at the Peabody Museum and Home Talent Night



2003-2004 NHDA Proposed Budget

	2002-2003	(To Date)	2003-2004
<u>Income:</u>			
Dues	16,700	7,200	16,300
Trustee Account	8,500	3,000	8,000
Meeting/Outings	12,200	8,000	13,700
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Totals	37,400		38,000
 <u>Expenses:</u>			
Meetings/Outings	15,500	9,405	16,500
Annual Meeting	4,500		4,300
Charitable Contributions	500	500	500
Honoraria	1,800	473	1,500
Telephone	1,000	319	900
Supplies	200		200
Dental Health Ed.	1,500		1,800
Secretarial	2,000	400	900
Referral Service	400		400
Postage/Printing	3,000	2,563	3,400
Fruit/Flowers	200		200
Miscellaneous	100		100
New Dr. Committee	1,000		0
Executive Board	3,200	1,367	3,200
House of Delegates	500	344	500
Scholarship	1,000		2,000
Local Public Awareness	0		0
Professional Fees	500	450	500
Bank Charges	100	58	100
Web Site	400	350	1,000
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<u>Totals:</u>	37,400		38,000

CSDA Junior Member, Delegates and Alternates

The junior member is:

Joseph Tagliarini

Delegates are as follows:

James Quigley, Ronald D'Andrea, Tom Duplinsky, Avie Goldstein, Kurt Koral,
Gary Ross, David Fantarella, Mark Previt

Alternates are as follows:

John Plachtyna, Phil Harrington, Jeralyn Fantarella, Robert Golia.

For Your Information . . .

DENTAL ASSISTANT RECOGNITION WEEK MARCH 10-16, 2003

Show your appreciation and celebrate their contribution to dentistry. Make a difference in the life of your dental assistant.



Please send your comments or items of interest to:

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