

New Haven Dental Association NEWSBRIEF

A BULLETIN FOR NEW HAVEN DENTAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

MARCH 2005

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NHDA Website
www.newhavendental.org

NEXT MEETING Thursday April 7, 2005

Use of a Hard and Soft Tissue Laser in Dental Practice by Dr. Paul D. Silver featuring the Hoya Con Bio DELight Laser

Dr. Silver studied Physics and Engineering at the United States Military Academy at West Point and graduated in 1978 from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine. This presentation is not to be missed. Let's have a great turnout.

The New Haven Country Club

Cocktails 6:00 P.M.

Dinner 6:45 P.M.

Lecture 7:15 P.M.

**A la carte - Please choose:
Tenderloin with horseradish sauce
Red Snapper beurre blanc
Mixed vegetables with pasta**

For Reservations, please call Dr. Richmond Hung at 932-5818 before Tuesday, April 5th at 12 Noon. He can be reached by phone - 932-5818 or e-mail - richmondhungdds@yahoo.com.

Dr. Hung's office address is
655 Sawmill Road, West Haven, CT 06516

**A jacket and tie are required for men.
The cost is \$34 per person**

The following is a list of proposed officers for 2005-2006 as well as the proposed budget for 2005-2006. Voting for officers and the budget will take place at the April meeting.

President - Dr. Doug Rollins
Vice President - Dr. Gerald Alexander
Secretary - Dr. Karen Gallo
Treasurer - Dr. Joseph Tagliarini
Sr. Board Member - Dr. Richmond Hung.
Jr. Board Member - Dr. Barry Weiss

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

An article appeared on the front page of the January 10, 2005 Wall Street Journal entitled Tale of two Docs: Why Dentists Are Earning More. The focus of the article is how dentists are financially better off than many physicians. The following are statements from some key paragraphs in the article.

“Once the poor relative in the medical field, dentists in the past few years have started making more money than many types of physicians, including internal medicine doctors, pediatricians, psychiatrists and those in family practice.”

“Factor in hours worked, dentists tend to put in 40 hour weeks... while physicians generally work 50-55 hours - the discrepancy is even greater.”

The most important statement of the article reads:

“So why are dentists so handily outpacing doctors? In part it's because dentists have avoided being flattened by the managed-care steamroller.”

“About 44% of all dental care is paid by patients out of their own pockets according to federal statistics for 2002, compared with just 10% for all physicians and clinical costs.”

This article demonstrates that dental professionals have been able to stave off the imposition of managed care by the insurance industry. It is well known that the insurance industry, who's greed is blatantly flaunted with multimillion dollar yearly bonuses given to its executives, has only secondary interest in the quality of patient care.

Tom Duplinsky, D.D.S.

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2005-2006 NHDA Proposed Budget

	2003-2004 <u>Budget</u>	2003-2004 <u>Actual</u>	2004-2005 <u>Budget</u>	2005-2006 <u>Proposed</u>
<u>INCOME:</u>				
Dues	16,300	14,069	16,500	14,500
Trustee Acct	7,600	7,600	8,100	9,200
Meeting/Outings	13,700	11,667	13,500	12,000
Other (Gift)		25		
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Totals	37,600	33,361	38,100	35,700
<u>EXPENSES:</u>				
Meetings/Outings	16,500	14,676	16,200	14,700
Annual Meeting	4,300	3,056	4,200	3,300
Charitable Contributions	500	500	500	500
Honoraria	1,500	550	1,500	1,500
Telephone	900	290	800	400
Supplies	200	21	200	100
Dental Health Ed.	1,800	2,413	2,000	2,000
Secretarial	900	500	900	900
Postage/Printing	3,400	2,895	4,000	3,500
Gifts	200	484	200	200
Miscellaneous	100	154	100	100
Executive Board	3,200	2,680	3,300	3,300
House of Delegates	500	272	600	600
Scholarship	2,000	0	2,000	3,000
Professional Fees	500	750	500	500
Bank Charges	100	141	100	100
Web Site	1000	646	1,000	1,000
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TOTALS:	37,600	30,028	38,100	35,700

* The NHDA reports on fiscal year June 1 thru May 31.

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



ANNOUNCEMENTS

NHDA Annual Golf Outing

will be at the New Haven Country Club

Date: Wednesday, June 15, 2005

Time: 11:45 AM Lunch Golf Starts at 1:00 P.M.

Agenda: 18 holes of Golf, Open Bar, Dinner, Golf Prizes

Golfers: \$160 per person for New Haven Dental
Association Members

\$80 per person for NHCC Members

Please send check for \$160 made payable to New Haven Dental Association to Joseph T. Siracuse, D.M.D., 260 Church Street, New Haven CT 06510 **Golfers!!!** New Haven Country Club has a spikless shoe policy. Players with metal spikes will not be allowed on the course. The maximum number of golfers allowed to play is 32.

CODPAC Still Needs Your Support

We are still trying to reach our goal of full participation of our membership supporting the Connecticut Dental Political Action Committee. We are asking for \$100 but please send what you can. Dr. Avrum Goldstein will be accepting checks at our next monthly meeting or send him a check payable to CODPAC. Thank you for your support. It is so vital to the future of our profession.

58th Annual Daniel F. Lynch Award presented by the Dental Society of Greater Waterbury will be honoring our very own **Dr. Kurt Koral** for his distinguished service

to the profession. It will take place on April 12, 2005, at the Waterbury Club on Holmes Avenue. Cocktails {Cash Bar} and Hors D'Oevres at 6 P.M., Dinner about 7 P.M. Cost is \$35 per person payable to Dental Society of Greater Waterbury. RSVP to Dr. Jason Alliger 203-757-1287 or contact Dr. Gerald D. Alexander.

Directions from New Haven: Rt 69 North to Waterbury, Rt 84 East short distance: exit at The Meadow St. Exit, End of Exit at traffic light, turn right on Meadow, at 3rd traffic light turn right on West Main. At next traffic light turn left on Holmes Ave. Waterbury Club is first building on the right. Park above or below the building. Hope to see you there.

Annual Banquet to be held Thursday May 5th - mark your calendars!

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Thank you Dr. Barry Weiss, Dr. Jim Pucci, Sandy Palumbo and UNH Staff and students for doing a great job. Also, thank you Dr. David Feldman, Dr. Gerald Alexander and Dr. Bruce Cha for helping out. Also, thank you to all the dentists who visited schools to do presentations.

Our sympathy to the family of Dr. Joseph Schnitman. Joe will be missed by our association. Joe was a regular attendee at our monthly meeting always adding to the camaraderie of our meetings. A donation has been made by the New Haven Dental Association in memory of Joe.