

New Haven Dental Association NEWSBRIEF

A Bulletin For New Haven Dental Association Members

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MARCH MEETING NOTICE

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2001

speaker

ELLEN EISENBERG, DMD

Professor of Oral Diagnosis and Oral Pathology
University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine

topic

**ORAL CYTOBRUSH BIOPSY TECHNIQUE:
ITS USEFULNESS AND LIMITATIONS**

New Haven Country Club

6:00 PM *Cocktails*

6:45 PM *Dinner*

7:30 PM *Business Meeting*

8:00 PM *CE Presentation*

RSVP to Doug Rollins — 288-0900

by Tuesday February 27, 2001.

You may mail your reservation and payment to his office at
1220 Whitney Avenue C-8, Hamden, CT 06517.

A **Buffet Dinner** will be served.

Cost will be **\$33.00** with a reservation and **\$38.00** without a reservation.

*There is no cost for those who wish to attend the business meeting/CE presentation
and not have dinner. Attending members may obtain AGD Continuing Education Credits.*

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we continue to endure this challenging winter, Children's Dental Health Month is also in full swing. I hope you and your office have become involved in some way to promote this worthwhile effort for our smaller patients. I look forward especially to the Peabody Museum event on February 25th which is the culmination of the efforts of many. I wish to extend my thanks to our Children's Dental Health Committee and Chairman Dr. Doug Muller. Hope to see many of you there.

On a related note, the A.D.A. has provided us with a C.D.H.M. billboard ad free of charge (your dues at work) which we will post on a billboard somewhere in the New Haven area soon.

Make sure you check out your C.S.D.A. communicator this month. Dr. Dean Cloutier, Chairman of the Auxiliary Shortage Task Force, has summed up the crisis facing not only dentistry but also the entire labor arena. We are in a battle for a shrinking pool of workers. Organized dentistry and the grassroots practitioner need to continue to make the dental workplace an attractive and viable career choice. Try to make your office a supportive, challenging, and salary competitive option for these people. Always treat your staff with dignity, respect, and professionalism. We have a great advocate in Dr. Cloutier who is sure to keep us informed on the progress we need to make.

Please look over in this newsletter the Nominating Committee's proposed slate of candidates for election at the April meeting. Nominations from the floor can be made at the March 1st meeting. Also check over the next year's proposed budget prepared by Dr. Avie Goldstein, our treasurer.

At our March meeting, Dr. Ellen Eisenberg from UConn's oral pathology department will be our guest speaker. Hopefully, she can enlighten us on just what to do with those brush biopsy kits gathering dust in the corner of many of our offices.

As you can see there is a myriad of issues for all of us to discuss at the March meeting. So, before any of you can yell "Who moved my cheese!", get involved and help shape your own destiny.

Phil

DENTAL ASSISTANTS RECOGNITION WEEK

MARCH 4 - 10



If ever there was a time to appreciate the role of dental assisting in our profession it is now. The severe shortage of well trained assistants creates a bleak backdrop and perhaps gives us a better perspective of that person sitting across from us. For the great majority of us, practicing without an assistant is not an option. Consequently, it is appropriate to recognize them and the impressive contribution that they make to the dental team.

I hope your response to this designated week will be genuine and generous. Enclosed are a couple of suggestions. One is a page of appropriate gift ideas and the other is regarding an upcoming CE course at Eli Whitney. Regardless of whatever action you may take, your assistant should not be taken for granted. There is not a well spring of talented, trained assistants entering the workforce. Believe me, having studied the problem, the situation is not promising for the immediate future. I hope you will make an effort to read the series on the assistant shortage, which began in this month's CSDA Communicator. Also, you will soon be receiving a CSDA mailing with an informative brochure to help recruit potential DA students. Please don't pitch the envelope. Read the cover letter and the brochure. Follow through with the information.

Take advantage of opportunities like this Recognition Week. Make a difference in the life of your assistant. You will help yourself and your profession.

Dean Cloutier

Nominations for NHDA 2001 - 2002

The Nominating Committee respectfully nominates the following individuals as the slate of officers for the 2001 - 2002 fiscal year. Several worthy individuals were considered as our nominee for Junior member, but the character, experience, and attendance of one very willing Dr. Gerald Alexander is our choice this year.

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Sheldon Natkin
Gary Ross
James Quigley
Philip Harrington
Ronald D'Andrea
Jeralyn Fantarella
Mark Previtt

CSDA HOUSE OF DELEGATES

(ALTERNATES):

John Plachtyna
Joseph Gargano
Robert Golia
Michael Brown
Ronald Delfini
David Kusovitsky
Douglas Muller
Thomas Duplinsky

Respectfully Submitted, James Quigley, Gary Ross, and Bruce Cha

2001-2002 NHDA PROPOSED BUDGET

	2000-2001	(To Date)	2001-2002(proposed)
<u>INCOME</u>			
Dues	16,300	6,050	16,300
Trustee Account	13,000	8,000	8,400
Meetings/Outings	13,800	5221.04	13,400
Other		2335.94	
<u>Totals:</u>	43,100	21,606.98	38,100
 <u>EXPENSES</u>			
Meetings/Outings	17,500	7014.02	15,500
Annual Meeting	4,500		4,500
Charitable Contributions	500		500
Honoraria	1,800	800	1,800
Telephone	1,000	304.46	1,000
Supplies	200	99.98	200
Dental Health Education	1,000		1,000
Secretarial Service	3,200	600	3,200
Referral Service	400		400
Postage/Printing	2,400	2555.24	3,000
Fruit/Flowers	200		200
Miscellaneous	100	60	100
New Dentists Committee	1,000		1,000
Executive Board	3,500	1137.65	3,200
House of Delegates	500	296.09	500
Scholarship	2,000		1,000
Local Public Awareness	3,000	4671.85	
Professional Fees	300	400	500
Bank Charges		39	100
Web Site		409.88	400
<u>Totals:</u>	43,100	18,388.17	38,100

In Memoriam

Francis P. Naples, D.D.S.

The New Haven Dental Association acknowledges with deep regret the death of
 Fran Naples, past president and life-time member of NHDA

STAMFORD OFFICE SPACE

Stamford Office Space to lease – new, state of the art facility in downtown health professional building, ample parking, great location. Two treatment rooms available, share furnished office with existing health professional, suitable for dental, medical or related fields. Call (203) 967-4578.

TEAM APPROACH

Announcing a new placement service for Dental Assistants, **THE TEAM APPROACH**. We will endeavor to create a satisfactory match for your office and it's staff, with as little disruption to your daily routine as possible.

If you are not satisfied with our initial placement we will endeavor to find someone who will meet your wants and needs, where available. We offer a liberal refund policy.

Our fee, by contractual agreement, is 8% of the first years gross salary.

If you are interested in our services please call **203-799-7343** or write **THE TEAM APPROACH**, P.O.Box 846, Orange, CT 06477.

A CLOSING THOUGHT

Experience — is what we get when we don't get what we want.



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