



SCRANTON DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY

October 2015

October's Meeting

Join us for a special presentation by Dr. Samantha Abod of Quinn, Mariotti, and Abod during the October meeting. The meeting will be held in the McDonnell Meeting Room, Room #405, in the DeNaples Center on Tuesday, October 20th at 6:30 PM. Please note this is a change in location from our traditional meeting room at the University of Scranton.

Dr. Samantha Abod, a native of Harvey's Lake, has been practicing orthodontics in Northeastern Pennsylvania since 2008. She earned her D.M.D. from the University of Pittsburgh where she studied biochemistry and also earned a Multidisciplinary Masters in Public

Health and a Certificate in Orthodontics & Dentofacial Orthopedics. She was thrilled to join the practice of Dr. Quinn and Mariotti in 2012.

Dr. Abod was inducted into Omicron Kappa Upsilon honor society and received several awards during her residency including recognition from the International College of Dentists, Kay F. Thompson Academic Scholarship, Ruth Freedman Academic Scholarship, T-35 Short Term Dental Research Training Scholarship, and the David C. Hamilton research award from the Pennsylvania Association of Orthodontists.

Dr. Abod is married to her high-school sweetheart Bryan Bellas and they have two children Eulina and Michael.



As always, dinner and cocktails are complementary for SDDS members. Please reserve your spot by calling or emailing Dr. Stephanie Hanyon's office at 570-587-5541 or shanyondmd@live.com.



Annual Golf Tournament Another Success

This year's golf tournament, benefitting The ARC of NEPA, was another smashing success! Held at the Scranton Country Club on June 10th, the tourney offered excellent golfing, terrific food, and a beautiful day! Co-Chairs Doctors J.R. Karam and Fred Bonacci spearheaded this annual event.

A special thank you goes out to our sponsors for helping support one of our favorite community partners. Because of your kind donations, the SDDS was able to give \$1,750 to the ARC!

Board Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Dr. Kurt Wadsworth

SDDS Board Meeting 9/14/15,
Carl Von Lugers, 6 PM

Present:

Justin Burns
Stephanie Hanyon
Chris Kotchick
Joe Kelly Jr.
Amy Cravath
Cindy Cox
J.R. Karam
Matt Zale
Kurt Wadsworth

General Meetings

- All held 3rd week of month Tuesday's at University of Scranton. Please note October's venue change from Rose Room in Brennan Hall to McDonnell Room (405) in The DeNaples Center.
- Sam Abod will be speaking in October

Jewish Family Services

- Will be handled by President-Elect

Donated Dental Services

- Letter will be sent from Stephanie Hanyon regarding participation

Scranton Primary

- Looking for dentist and would like to put ad in newsletter

SDDS Phone Line

- No longer available but will be replaced with President's office number

Third District

- Matt Zale will be 3rd district state trustee
- SDDS will cover expenses of our members who become trustees for any PDA or ADA related events (starting 1/1/16)
- 3rd district free CE...No date confirmed yet, but possibly early April

PDA

- Annual meeting will be held 5/19/16

Volunteer dentistry

(Mission of Mercy)

- Would like to do something in Scranton (possibly 2018)

CE credits may increase to 40

- Recommendation made that 3rd district should do CE for child abuse and radiology

Mary Grace Rizzo was nominated to Board Secretary for 2016

Future Events

- Next board meeting October 5th at Carl Von Luger
- Next general meeting October 20th
- ADA Meeting November 5-10 (Washington D.C)
- 3rd district annual meeting November 13th
- President's dinner (possibly in April 2016)
- Social event with pre-dental students (spring 2016)

2016 CE Schedule

By now you should have received two mailings highlighting the 2016 CE Course offerings at Nichols Village. If you register before December 31, 2016, you receive a discount. For more information, visit our website www.scrantondistrictdental.org, or contact Dr. Joe Kelly Jr. at 570-587-4787 or drkellyjr@gmail.com.

Wednesday, January 13, 2016

"The Phantom of the Operatory: An Overview and Update in Pharmacology for Dental Professionals"

Tom Viola, R.Ph., C.C.P.

Wednesday, February 10, 2016

"Managing Caries: From Fluoride to Fillings and Everything in Between"

John Maggio, DDS

Wednesday, March 9, 2016

"Infection Control and Oral Diagnosis" (AM session is "Infection Control Is Not Optional: Dental Practitioners Need to Be Involved" and PM session is "Open Wide: Let's Look Inside")

Lou DePaola, DDS, MS

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 -

"Jewels You Can Use on Monday: Restorative Techniques You Can Use to Increase Productivity"

Marc Gottlieb, DDS

PENNSYLVANIA'S DENTAL MEETING

Save the Date! MAY 19-21, 2016



President's Letter

I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer. Since our last newsletter, we have had many successful events the last few months. The golf outing continues to be a success and this year we were able to donate \$1750 to the ARC of Northeastern Pennsylvania. I would like to thank doctors Fred Bonacci and JR Karam for organizing such a great event.

The annual PDA meeting was held at the Hershey Hotel in April. Many thanks to all of those who attended.

The 3rd district dental society was approached recently to possibly host a MOM-PA free dental clinic in either 2016 or 2017. The MOM-n-PA mission is a large-scale dental clinic where dental treatment is provided at no cost to individuals who cannot afford dental care. I cannot stress enough that this is a huge undertaking and would need the help of almost the entire dental society. Please go to the website www.mom-

n-pa.com for more information. This topic will be discussed at our October SDDS meeting, so please plan to attend.

The 3rd district dental society meeting will be Friday, November 13th at the Woodlands. Doctors Peter Quinn from the University of Pennsylvania and William Spruill from the PDA are the guest speakers.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Dr. Matthew Zale, who will be taking over as PDA Trustee once Dr. Eli Stavisky's term is over, and Dr. Chris Kotchick who will be the new Third District President.

Enjoy the fall weather and I look forward to seeing everyone at the October meeting.

Sincerely,

Justin Burns
SDDS-President

HB 336: Ban on Non-Compete Agreements for Health Care Practitioners

Rep. Jim Christiana introduced (R-Beaver) HB 336, legislation would ban any non-compete language in an employment agreement for a health care practitioner. The legislation would allow health care practitioners to alert their patients to the new affiliation and allow the patient the option to follow the health care provider to the new location. It would not apply to any additional services provided by the individual outside their scope of practice or to trade secrets or confidential information learned through the course of the prior employment.

Rep. Christiana's introduced HB336 because he heard from a number of health care professionals who have spent large sums of money on their education and training that they cannot continue to provide care for their patients simply because they have changed employers. He found this troubling especially in light of the House of Representatives having unanimously approved a resolution last session which calls for a study on the physician shortage crisis the Commonwealth is facing. Rep. Christiana believes this problem extends to all health care providers, and that is a concern given that the demand for health care professionals is ever increasing and resulting in a loss of qualified talent to other states.

HB 336 was assigned to the House Health Committee for first consideration.

Third District Announces 2016 Appointments

The Scranton District Dental Society will be well-represented as Dr. Matthew Zale takes the helm as Third District Trustee and Dr. Christopher Kotchick serves as President-Elect in 2016. Special congratulations to these two, hard-working professionals who have continually dedicated their time to further the cause of dentistry.



2015 Officers

Third District Trustee

Dr. Eli Stavisky

President

Dr. Justin Burns

Pres-Elect

Dr. Stephanie Hanyon

V.P.

Dr. Charles Scrimalli

V.P.

Dr. Kristin Paoli

Treasurer – Dr. Jessica Falk

Secretary

Dr. Kurt Wadsworth

Bulletin Editor -

Dr. Fred Bonacci

Board of Directors

Dr. Marty Bifano

Dr. Fred Bonacci

Dr. Gary Kopesky

Dr. Kady Schloesser

Dr. Mary Grace Rizzo-Fryzel

Upcoming Events

Board Meeting	Carl Von Lagers	Oct 5, 2015	6:00 PM
General Meeting	U of S DeNaples Center #405	Oct 20, 2015	6:30 PM
ADA Meeting	Washington, DC	Nov 5-10, 2105	8:00 AM
Third District Meeting	Woodlands	Nov 13, 2015	8:00 AM
General Meeting	U of S	Jan 19, 2016	6:30 PM
General Meeting	U of S	Feb 16, 2016	6:30 PM
Third District CE Course	TBA	April 2015	TBA
President's Dinner	TBA	April 2015	TBA
PDA Meeting	Hershey Lodge	May 19-21, 2016	8:00 AM

Scranton Primary

is looking for a full-time general dentist offering benefits along with the opportunity of loan repayment. For more information, email Scrantonprimary@gmail.com.

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