Don't forget! July 1st deadline coming up fast! **NYS Mandated Opioid Course** is required for all licensed dentists who have an active DEA license. May 24 and May 31 courses are already sold out. The last one is scheduled for **June 21 from 9am-noon**. Call us at (631) 232-1400 to register **NOW!!!**
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**June**
- **Thur 1 - Sun 4**  NYSDA HOD - Turning Stone, Verona, NY  
  Harold Crossley, DDS, PhD
- **Wednesday 7**  Seminar Series #1 (9am - 4pm)  
  Harold Crossley, DDS, PhD
- **Wednesday 14**  Golf Outing - Mill Pond, Medford  
  Marc Gottlieb, DDS
- **Wednesday 21**  NYS Mandated Opioid Course (9am-12pm)  
  Marc Gottlieb, DDS

**September**
- **Sunday 10**  Grape Escape - Laurel Lake Vineyards
- **Monday 11**  Exec.Council/Board of Directors (7 pm)
- **Wednesday 27**  General Membership Meeting (6 pm - 9 pm)  
  Mana Saraghi, DMD

**October**
- **Wednesday 4**  Seminar Series #3 (9 am – 4 pm)  
  Steven Fallon, DMD
- **October 11**  Scrubs & Stilettos - Carlyle at the Palace
- **Monday 16**  Exec.Council/Board of Directors (7 pm)
- **Thur 19 –Tues 24**  ADA Meeting – Atlanta, GA

**November**
- **Wednesday 15**  General Membership Meeting (6 pm - 9 pm)  
  Nina Laracuente, DMD
- **Monday 20**  Exec.Council/Board of Directors (7 pm)

**December**
- **Wednesday 6**  Seminar Series #4 (9 am – 4 pm)  
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Volunteering

One of the things that made me very proud of my parents was how hard they worked whenever they volunteered for something. They spent countless hours at the VA Hospital, at the American Cancer Society (both of them were cancer survivors), and with other groups helping people, people that most of the time, they had never met but needed the help and support that others offered them.

Webster Dictionary defines volunteer as one who enters into or offers himself for a service of his own free will. All of the officers at your local Dental Society are volunteers. We offer our free time for the benefit of our profession and its members. This brings me to the purpose of this article which is to inform you of a program that the New York State Dental Foundation has.

The program is the NYS Dental Foundation Volunteer Registry and it is a way for you to record the hours you (and your staff) spend volunteering your services to vulnerable populations. NYSDA can use the number of hours its members spend doing charity work as proof to our elected officials that the dental profession is at the forefront of helping to solve complex, overall health issues.

Due to the efforts of our members we have had many legislative victories that can be found on the NYSDA Website under “Legal and Government Affairs” both at the State as well as the National level. The most recent, on March 22, the US House of Representatives voted 416 to 7 in favor of repealing the McCarran-Ferguson antitrust exemption for health insurance companies by passing H.R. 372, the Health Insurance Reform Act of 2017.

The ADA has been advocating for years to repeal the antitrust exemption for the insurance industry and strongly supports H.R. 372. H.R. 372 was introduced by Rep. Paul Gosar, R. Arizona. Dr. Gosar is one of four dentists that currently serve as congressmen. This Reform Act would authorize the Federal Trade Commission and the Justice Department to “enforce the Federal Antitrust laws against health insurance companies engaged in anticompetition conduct.” Unfortunately, although this bill has been passed by a large majority in the House of Representatives, there is no matching bill in the US Senate. Without passage from both the House and the Senate, the McCarran-Ferguson antitrust rules continue to apply.

So post your hours on the Volunteer Registry, it’s easy, and each year you will receive a certificate which you can post in your office to let your patients know about the amazing work you do for those less fortunate. It’s a great way to further show your commitment to professional excellence and the health of the public.

So far, my board has been willing to volunteer for many events. I thank, not only the ones that always say “present,” but also the newcomers that have stepped forward to continue to work as one to make this a great year for OUR Suffolk County Dental Society.

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ADA Board Votes: Create a National Licensing Exam

Can you remember your Clinical Board exam? The stress of the process? Will your patients show? Is the lesion acceptable? Will the examiner be friendly? Fill in the stresses and multiply by any intangible thought and you have the makeup of the “High Stakes” exam we have used in our profession for as long as I have dealt with this. It preceded my time in Dentistry and continues for my 30 years. I have been involved in the many derivatives that have been attempted to address this licensing dilemma.

What has been recently voted on and passed by the Board of Trustees of the American Dental Association is to research and develop the OSCE (Objective Structured Clinical Examination) as a national licensing exam.

In fairness to those offering and providing our current exams, their commitments to protect the patients we all treat and accurately measure the basic level of competency for our professionals, are very committed professionals, and have supported the profession with a measured exam.

Many issues have been raised over the actual effectiveness of this type of exam and the introduction of the ethics of using human subjects in a high stakes exam has been studied for years. It has been the policy of the ADA since 2005 that a non-patient based examination is the goal of our profession. New York’s own PGY-1 licensing process which replaces the examination with an additional year of clinical residency, California’s Portfolio approach to licensure and the Canadian OSCE are examples of non-patient based examinations that alleviate the High Stakes ethical dilemma.

Please do not mistake this with a concept that students in a dental school would object to treating patients, it is the testing and remediation of these patient subjects that crosses the line, and it is what the pathway with other licensing exams is being pursued.

The OSCE model is an exam that evaluates clinical and critical thinking skills is widely used in the health sciences including Optometry, Medicine, Nursing, and Physical Therapy. It has been the accepted licensing exam in Canada and is currently accepted in the state of Minnesota.

The Vote is to commence with a steering Committee tasked to establish content and test specifications, establish general structure for the examination, identify and contact with key vendors and all pieces of creating a National exam. The acronym DLOSCE will include all these parameters.

A key element to the development of this exam is,” Will the individual state licensing authorities accept this exam as appropriate for licensure within their state?” This is often a barrier to reciprocity and portability of our licenses, and is a critical “states’ rights issue”. This cannot be understated.

Many issues attended by our national organization can only be recommended or urged to different state Board or licensing authorities because the nature of licensing is not a national but a state’s prerogative. Careful study of our Constitutional Past is the insistence that despite being United States, we are defined by very specific States rights issues which leave many of these matters up to the authorities within our states.

I have witnessed this process for longer than I care to admit. I welcome your thoughts and questions to this process and ask that you stay tuned to this process. A National exam may be the final step that will lead to licensing to be universal reciprocity and portability.
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

From the desk of
Paul Markowitz, DMD

We have been printing and writing stories about the cesspool contamination problems in this Bulletin for over a year. I have learned a great deal over that time and have been trying to keep you abreast of this ongoing investigation. I recently met with a representative of the Suffolk County Department of Health (SC DOH), division of pollution control.

Here are a few of things that were brought to my attention. There are two separate issues regarding the use of amalgam separators and environmental issues. The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYS DEC) enacted a law in 2003 that all dental offices need to recycle mercury and amalgam waste. In 2006, amalgam separators were required in most dental offices in NY State. Certain specialty offices are exempt from this requirement. There are numerous maintenance requirements for both separators and traps which need to be followed.

Apart from these legal requirements, the SC DOH regulates the potential contamination of our drinking water. Even if you have been compliant with NYS laws regarding amalgam separators and traps, if the SC DOH determines that you have contaminated soil in and around your cesspools, you as the contributor of this waste are legally responsible to remediate this problem. One unfortunately has nothing to do with the other.

What makes us somewhat unique in Suffolk County in regards to these issues, are three specific conditions. First, the vast majority of the properties in Suffolk County, including dental offices, do not discharge waste into sewer systems, but have individual cesspool and septic systems. Second, we also receive our drinking water from underground aquifers, in some areas only a few feet below ground level, just below the levels of the cesspools. Finally, we have one of the highest population densities of dentists in a relatively small geographical area.

Put these three conditions together and they spell potential serious harm to our communities. As a healthcare profession, the last thing that we should be doing is harm our own local environment for our families, friends and neighbors.

In 2007, the ADA published a brochure promoting best management practices for amalgam waste. The NYS DEC has also published numerous articles and resources to assist dental offices in minimizing mercury contamination emanating from the dental office. I strongly urge everyone to review this information, if you have not done so recently.

During my conversation with the SC DOH, I was told that many offices do not follow these basic guidelines. They do not have their amalgam separators installed properly or do not change the filters as often as needed. One year is the absolute longest time to use any filter, but many, if not all need to be changed much more frequently. Even if the separator does not appear to be full, the filtration systems do not continue to remove all mercury indefinitely.

You may not want to spend the money to change these filters more often, but the cost of a filter is considerably less than the cost of remediating a contaminated cesspool. Remember the old Fram oil filter ads on TV, "You can pay me now or pay me later." The cost of remediation can be as high as 40 - 50,000 dollars. Add on more if you have to dig up your asphalt parking lots and then repave them. The few hundred dollars for a new filter doesn’t seem so bad, when you compare that to these other numbers.

One horror story that I heard, concerned an office that was emptying a used separator filter into a toilet, flushing the contents down the drain and then reinstalling the filter. Why bother installing the separator in the first place? If you get inspected, you need to show how often the filter has been replaced, so don’t think that this will protect you from the DEC.

Another potential source of the problem may be the use of cuspidors in your treatment rooms. If you are using cuspidors, please make sure that they all drain through your amalgam separators. Although this probably will cause your separator filters to become ineffective sooner and need to be changed more often, it certainly is better than having the discharge go directly into your waste lines, without any filtration at all. In addition, make sure to replace the inline filters on your high speed and low speed suction lines in your operatories.

Additional maintenance issues you need to be aware of involve the choice of cleaning products. Make sure that your suction lines are cleaned regularly with cleaning products designed specifically for usage with amalgam separators. If not, you may be creating additional problems for yourself. Any solution which is too acidic, too basic or too oxidizing may be contributing to the breakdown of the stable amalgam into its elemental forms. Once you free up the mercury that had been bound up in the amalgam, you are adding much more serious contamination to your cesspool, surrounding soil and potentially the underlying ground water.

In addition, according to the DEC regulations, as stated earlier, certain specialty practices such as orthodontics, prosthodontics and oral surgery are exempt from mandatory usage of amalgam separators. However, those offices who choose not to install an separator are at risk for contamination of their cesspools and surrounding soil.

It is my understanding that the placement or use of amalgam is not as serious an issue as the removal of that amalgam. Therefore, the vast majority of offices, possibly with the exception of orthodontists, need to be doing their utmost to prevent the discharge of amalgam waste into their main drains.

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by Stuart A. Sinclair, CPA

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Course #SS2017-01 Wednesday, ***June 7, 2017*** *(new date!!*)

Harold Crossley, D.D.S., Ph.D.

STREET DRUGS EXPOSED: What Your Patients And Your Kids Are Not Telling You!

**Course Synopsis:**

What questions should I be asking my patients to avoid drug interactions with street drugs? What is the impact on my practice of the recent resolutions, approved by the ADA, for providing dental care for patients who are and/or have been chemically dependent? What are some of the oral manifestations of street drug abuse? How will I know if a person is under the influence of street drugs? What are the characteristics of and how do I manage the “doctor shopper”? Do I have to take any precautions with the dental patient who is under the influence? Why is it so important that the dental staff be knowledgeable about street drugs? Why am I at risk? What are some characteristics of adolescent substance abuse and what do I do about it?

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**Recommended:** For dentists, dental hygienists, dental assistants, receptionists, and spouses*

*Must be 18 years of age or older to attend-no exceptions

Harold Crossley, DDS, MS, PhD, is Professor Emeritus at the Univ. of MD Dental School. Dr. Crossley received a BS degree in Pharmacy from the University of Rhode Island. He later was awarded the MS and PhD degrees in Pharmacology. The Univ. of MD Dental School in Baltimore awarded Dr. Crossley the DDS degree. The liaison between the classroom and his part-time dental practice produced a practical approach to understanding the pharmacology of drugs used in the dental office.

Dr. Crossley has co-authored a number of articles and four books dealing with a variety of topics within the field of pharmacology. Other areas of expertise include the pharmacology of street drugs and chemical dependency. He serves on the MD State Dental Assoc.’s Well-Being Committee, is an active member of the OKU Honorary Dental Society, the ACD, ICD, and an honorary member of the Thomas B. Hinman Dental Society. He was the recipient of the 2008 Gordon Christensen Lecturer Recognition award presented by the Chicago Dental Society and the recipient of the 2012 Award of Distinction presented by the Academy of Dentistry International for his efforts in CDE. He has been a consultant for the US DEA and other law enforcement agencies since 1974. Drawing on this unique background, Dr. Crossley has become nationally and internationally recognized as an expert on street drugs and chemical dependency as well as the clinical pharmacology of dental drugs.

Course #2017-03 Wednesday, October 4, 2017:

Steven Fallon, D.M.D.

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Dr. Steven Fallon has extensive experience in the field of implant surgery, with an emphasis on full arch rehabilitation. The course will focus on a team approach in the treatment planning and management of these cases. Practitioners will learn the critical keys for success in the surgical, laboratory and restorative techniques that are essential in providing a predictable, fixed and immediate solution for the edentulous patient including the All-on-4 and Branemark Zygoma Treatment concepts.

After completing his undergraduate studies at the University of Pennsylvania in 1996, Dr. Fallon began his dental career at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine and received his DMD in 2001. During that time, he received the Theodore Blum Oral Surgery award recognizing him for his clinical excellence in that field. He completed his oral and maxillofacial surgery training at the Medical College of Virginia in 2005 and has been practicing full scope oral and maxillofacial surgery. Dr. Fallon is board certified and enjoys practicing all aspects of oral and maxillofacial surgery.

Dr. Fallon’s comprehensive training included all aspects of the specialty, with an emphasis on dental implant surgery, removal of wisdom teeth, corrective jaw surgery, outpatient general anesthesia and facial cosmetic surgery. Dr. Fallon is in private practice in Eastern Pennsylvania and maintains surgical privileges and is an active staff member at the Reading Hospital and St. Joseph Medical Center. He has also embarked on mission trips to Honduras where he treated underprivileged children born with dentofacial deformities, cleft lips and palates.

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**Airway and Facial Development:**
1. Understand the origins of the malocclusions we struggle with daily
2. Understand the relationship between malocclusion and many childhood illnesses
3. Understand the relationship between sleep disordered breathing and early childhood development
4. Understand the difference between nasal breathing and mouth breathing and how severe the consequences are
5. Understand the relationship of sleep disordered breathing to ADHD
6. Understand how Myofunctional guidance appliances work to fully develop facial features and an appropriate airway
7. Understand the impact a fully developed airway can have on a child’s health and well being

**Invisalign:**
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5. Understand how to use Invisalign for extensive amounts of molar expansion and rotation
6. Understand how to use Invisalign as a comprehensive orthodontic technique to treat a variety of malocclusions

Dr. Ben Miraglia graduated from the SUNY at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine. He is a proud member of the OKU Dental Honor Society. Dr. Miraglia completed a general practice residency program at Danbury Hospital in Ct. He has 23 years private practice experience in Mt. Kisco, NY, including 12 years of interceptive orthodontic experience.

Dr. Miraglia has been providing Invisalign with a comprehensive care philosophy for the last twelve years. Dr. Miraglia believes Invisalign is a comprehensive orthodontic technique and should be used to move all teeth into proper position to achieve a healthy, stable occlusion as well as a full, beautiful smile. His basic philosophy is to utilize Invisalign to establish proper arch form and proper arch width. His expansive Invisalign philosophy has proven to be successful, conservative, and efficient.

Dr. Miraglia holds faculty positions with Align Technology and the United States Dental Institute and is on the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Cosmetic Orthodontics as well as the American Academy of Physiological Medicine and Dentistry. In 2015, Dr. Miraglia was acknowledged as a “Leader in Continuing Education” by Dentistry Today Magazine.

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On April 20th, the ADA held their annual Conference on Membership. The Chairperson of the ADA Council on Membership and the emcee of the event was our own Dr. Maria Maranga. Also in attendance were ADA Trustee from New York, Dr. Chad Gehani, NYSDA Membership and Communications Council Chair, Dr. Joe Gambacorta, Past Chair, Dr. Jay Skolnick, 9th District Membership Chair, Dr. Renuka Bijoor, New Dentist Chair, Dr. Hemali Ajmera, Ms. Jenna Malenkiewicz from NYSDA, and yours truly.

Many pertinent membership issues were discussed at the meeting. The current number of licensed dentists in the U.S. is 202,967. Our current national membership is 63.6% of all licensed dentists as of 2016. In addition, there has been an increase of 1,276 members since 2015. New York State was the recipient of the “Membership Outreach Award” for the Society with the Most Improved Active Member Retention Rate. We are happy with these numbers, but know we can do more.

A major area of concern is engaging our new graduates and informing them of all the important benefits that the ADA, NYSDA, and our local societies can offer. These benefits are offered at a reduced rate for the first five years after completing a Graduate Program. What we offer differs greatly from what is offered by many other organizations and study clubs. One vital benefit is our voice in government. We are very grateful to our local members who participated in the recent “ADA Dentist and ASDA Lobby Day”. Doctors Paul Leary, Scott Firestone, and Sharon Pollick attended as well as Students from the Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine. Their efforts bring Dentists’ concerns directly to the ears of our Congressmen.

Another valuable benefit is the, soon to be launched, “FIND-A-DENTIST” tool. The goal of this project is to OPTIMIZE the visibility of ADA Member Dentists when someone searches for a dentist on the internet. The program was developed in an effort to bring more patients to our members' offices. However, for this tool to work well and be a true benefit, each member dentist must update their member profile with as much information as possible and a PHOTO! Please visit ADA.org/MyADA to Update your profile or call ADA Member Service Center at 800-621-8099. Here in Suffolk we are thankful to you for your continued membership and participation.

CALLING ALL MENTORS!

Many of you would like to participate in the Dental Society but you may not have found the right committee or activity. MENTORSHIP might be just the thing you are looking for. At this time, we want to compile a list of Doctors who are interested in becoming Mentors and allowing Dental Students to shadow you while you provide them with some practical advice. It doesn’t matter what type of practice you have or you may be a retired Doctor who would like to share your vast knowledge and provide guidance to a young student or new graduate. Please provide your information and we will keep you posted.
GLIDM
(photos courtesy of Dr. Mark Bauman)

SCDS Member Lecturers

Dr. Adamo Notarantonio

Dr. Robert Iovino

Dr. Gary Alex

GLIDM Vice-Chair
Dr. Nick Vittoria

From left, Grazia Yaeger (NYSDA Asst. Exec. Dir.), Kathy Lagano (MLMIC), Jenna Malenkiewicz (NYSDA staff)
We live in an area where there are high levels of cancer in our local communities. Many people believe that is due to the contamination of our drinking water. Whether this is the case or not, we as a profession, should be doing whatever we can, as healthcare providers, to limit our potential threat to the ongoing health of our families, friends and neighbors. According to the SC DOH, dental offices are the highest contributors of heavy metal waste in Suffolk County. We need to do better.

Unfortunately, I do not yet have all the answers that will prevent you from running into problems with the SC DOH. I am currently researching exactly how to do that. I have been in touch with both NYSDA and the ADA to help bring you the most accurate information. The best advice that I can offer today is to learn as much as you can individually about your particular situation and follow the recommended ‘best management practices’ that have been disseminated, as closely as possible.

Please keep an eye on future Bulletin articles and all future emails, as I will provide updated information as I receive it.
NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members elected in February, March, April and May 2017:

Jacqueline Abraham, DDS  
(Transfer from QCDS)  
SUNY SB 2012; SUNY SB 2016  
45 Rte 25A  
E Setauket, NY 11733  
Prosthodontics

Daniel Arzanipour, DDS  
NYU 2015; Bellevue 2016  
492 Old Town Rd  
Port Jeff Station, NY 11776  
General Dentistry

Kristen Brocavich, DDS  
SUNY SB 2017; SUNY SB 2020  
General Dentistry

Noreen Doherty, DDS  
SUNY SB 2017; SUNY SB 2019  
Pediatric Dentistry

Thomas Fuschetto, DDS  
SUNY SB 2017; SUNY SB 2020  
Prosthodontics

Daniel Macari, DDS  
SUNY SB 2017; SUNY SB 2018  
General Dentistry

Mark Lentz, DMD  
Univ of Pitt 2013; Univ of Pitt 2017  
125 Oakland Ave Ste 104  
Pt Jeff, NY 11777  
Endodontics

Jacqueline Maddox, DDS  
SUNY SB 2014; Winthrop 2015  
714 Main St  
Pt Jeff, NY 11777  
General Dentistry

Ali Mehrabian, DDS  
SUNY SB 2014; SUNY SB 2018  
Endodontics

Christopher Pellicano, DDS  
SUNY SB 2017; Northport VA 2018  
General Dentistry

Najma Rafiq, DDS  
SUNY SB 2015; Northwell Health 2016  
1237 Montauk Hwy  
Oakdale, NY 11769  
General Dentistry

Mark Lentz, DMD  
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Pt Jeff, NY 11777  
Endodontics

Joseph Renda, DDS  
SUNY SB 2017; SUNY SB 2018  
General Dentistry

Stephanie Sfiroudis, DDS  
SUNY SB 2017; SUNY SB 2020  
Periodontics

Wayne Smith, DMD  
Fairleigh Dickinson 1988; Bird S. Coler 1989  
656 N Wvllwood Ave  
Lindenhurst, NY 11757  
General Dentistry

Nicole Teehan, DDS  
Loma Linda ’13; Brookdale Hosp 2017  
2500 Nesconset Hwy Bldg 24A  
Stony Brook, NY 11790  
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery

Daniel Vinoi, DDS  
SUNY SB 2017; SUNY SB 2018  
General Dentistry

Lina Wu, DDS  
SUNY SB 2017; Northport VA 2018  
General Dentistry

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The Suffolk County Dental Society’s Nominating Committee will meet this summer to screen and select candidates for elective office at the local, state and national levels.

To be eligible for any elective office a member must have served on our governing Board of Directors for at least three of the past five years. Other restrictions may apply for state and national positions.

Nominations are invited for the following positions for 2018, to be considered this summer:

**Officers of the SCDS:**  
**President:** Dr. Dimitrios Kilimitzoglou (as president-Elect 2017, automatically advances)  
To be confirmed:  
**President-Elect:** Dr. Martin Dominger  
**Vice President:** Dr. Claudia Mahon-Vazquez  
**New Secretary:** (one year term- usually advances through the other officer positions)  
**Treasurer:** Dr. Jeffrey Seiver (will continue to serve second year of two year term)

**NYSDA Delegates:**  
Two Delegates to NYSDA: (four year terms)  
Up to Six Alternate Delegates: (one year terms)

**ADA Delegates:**  
One Delegate to the ADA: (3 year term)  
One Alternate Delegate: (one year term)

Nominations for SCDS Directors for 2018 will be invited in the Fall of 2017.

Members in good standing are invited to submit nominations to SCDS, 150 Motor Parkway, Suite 105, Hauppauge, NY 11788. Eligible candidates may nominate themselves by sending a letter of interest along with a copy of their curriculum vitae.
What would you do if you needed to do a surgical extraction knowing that you could only give the patient acetaminophen and/or nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDS) to manage the inevitable postoperative pain? Would you be afraid that, without prescription pain medication, you were not ethically and professionally providing your patient with the best care available? Would you be afraid that your patients would be dissatisfied with your care and possibly jeopardize your reputation and livelihood?

For the past ten years, I have worked with organizations such as Remote Area Medical (RAM) and Missions of Mercy (MOM) that have provided no cost surgical and restorative care to patients with no other access to care.

The only medications they provide are antibiotics for infections and acetaminophen and NSAIDS for pain. Controlled substance prescription is not allowed, since it is impossible to know if these patients have abused opioids in the past.

Colleagues and friends often ask who is responsible to provide follow-up care to the patients seen in these mobile weekend clinics. They assume that there must be many patients in pain after being treated and these patients would be looking for prescriptions for opioids. I asked this question to one of the directors of RAM. It is his phone number that every patient receives when they leave the clinic, with instructions to call if they need follow-up care. He chuckled when I asked him that question. He says that he usually gets a few calls for follow-up care from the patients that RAM provided with vision exams and eyeglasses but very few if any calls from those that had dental care.

Combinations of acetaminophen and NSAIDs are far superior to opioids for the management of severe pain. It has been long recognized that giving a patient a loading dose of a NSAID 24 hours prior to a procedure will help to diminish post-operative discomfort. Finally, giving a block of a long acting analgesic such as bupivacaine during or at the end of the procedure in addition to the other strategies, will help to insure a satisfied patient. Of course, if the patient cannot take a NSAID, then you have no choice but to go to a combination of an opioid and acetaminophen.

It occurred to me to write this article about a world without opioids after reading an excellent article: Strategies for Managing Acute Dental Pain in the March 2017 issue of Decisions in Dentistry. It is an excellent resource for pain management strategies, reviews the research and provides evidence based recommendations on the proper dosages, frequency and duration of use for non-prescription analgesics.

As you are aware, a day does not go by without a news report discussing the opioid problem in the United States. In addition, Governor Cuomo and the NYS Legislature have mandated that all licensed healthcare providers in the state, who hold a DEA registration, must take a three hour course on this particular topic to maintain their license to practice. We each need to do our part to mitigate these issues. Think twice next time before you write that prescription.

{Dr. Firestone is the Chair of the NYSDA Council on Dental Practice.}
March General Membership Meeting

(photos courtesy of Dr. Jeffrey Sherman)

Children's Dental Health Month contest winners.
Thanks to Paul Van de Water and the P&G company for supplying the prizes!

New member dentists with SCDS Membership Chair, Dr. Claudia Mahon-Vazquez and SCDS President Dr. Ivan Vazquez. From left: Dr. Megan Leary, Dr. Najma Rafiq, Dr. Michael Maiorino, Dr. Jessica Henner. Congratulations and welcome to the Suffolk County Dental Society!

Guest speaker Dr. Paul Chu discussing "Pediatric Dental Trauma for the General Practitioner"

SCDS President Dr. Vazquez presenting Dr. Chu with Certificate of Appreciation.
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What would you do?

Steven Albarino is a 13 year old patient in Dr. Mouvedre's orthodontic practice. Dr. Mouvedre's practice has been growing steadily over the last 10 years in a large suburban area. Her greatest satisfaction is seeing the self-image improvement after treatment. For Steven, however, it is a completely different situation.

Steven’s parents have gone through a long and tempestuous divorce which is clearly affected Steven. Both parents willingly pay for his dental treatment and rotate bringing him to Dr. Mouvedre's office for his follow up care.

Dr. Mouvedre's prides herself in developing a friendly rapport with all her patients but Steven seemed troubled from the initial appointment. His non-responsiveness clearly was a significant concern for Dr. Mouvedre.

Steven has had regular checkup appointments with his general dentist and displays a high tolerance to caries. However, he has a very poor home care, much more than a young teenager normally has.

Even with his high plaque index, his general dentist has only placed 4 posterior restorations. Multiple teeth have hypocalcifications, but appear sound. There were no skeletal asymmetries but 3 to 4 mm of anterior crowding on the maxillary and mandibular arches.

Dr. Mouvedre's anticipated treatment time would take 12 to 15 months. Steven promised more attention to his brushing that Dr. Mouvedre reluctantly began treatment.

Well, after 4 months, Steven's home care was non-existent. Multiple discussions with both parents concluded with warnings of potential deleterious dental outcomes.

The parents understood and promised additional supervision. Midway through Steven's treatment, and with some improvement in his dental crowding, Dr. Mouvedre wondered if she should have started the case at all.

Dr. Mouvedre had 2 other cases very similar to Steven resulting in multiple root canals. Everyone involved was clearly frustrated and upset.

Dr. Mouvedre is faced with an ethical dilemma. Check the following course of action she should take in this case and fax or email to SCDS or send a note indication your own recommendation.

1. ____ Remove the appliances and return to his general dentist for routine care
2. ____ Continue orthodontic care and schedule more monthly recalls till he is stable
3. ____ Continue his care and coordinate recalls with his general dentist till he stable
4. ____ Continue with treatment and institute fluoride regimen with his general dentist
5. ____ Other _______________________________

{Dr. Jonke is the Chair of the NYSDA Council on Ethics.}

Update Your Find-a-Dentist Profile

The ADA is launching a new advertising campaign to bring more patients to your practice. In this 3-year campaign, they will be spending $6 million annually on search and digital advertising to direct consumers to make an appointment with an ADA dentist.

As part of this campaign, they have enhanced the Find-a-dentist tool to make it easier for patients to find you. Update your profile by visiting ADA.org/MyADA, and login using your user ID (member number) and password. If you're unsure of your user ID or password, call the ADA Member Service Center at 1-800-621-8099 or contact us at (631) 232-1400.

Data shows that profiles with pictures receive more clicks than those that don’t, so be sure to upload a photo!
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- 3rd: Steven Snyder, DDS (2017-2019)

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- 3rd: Guenter Jonke, DMD

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- 3rd: Martin Dominger, DDS
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