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2024 Snapshots



Left—Dr. Feigelson chairs our last Board meeting of 2024.

Above—Top Golf in July.

Below—Events in our State of the Art facility.



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Seminar Series Events!**

Our upcoming events are on page 3. The [website](http://www.suffolkdental.org) (www.suffolkdental.org), our emails and our social sites are great sources of up to date schedules.

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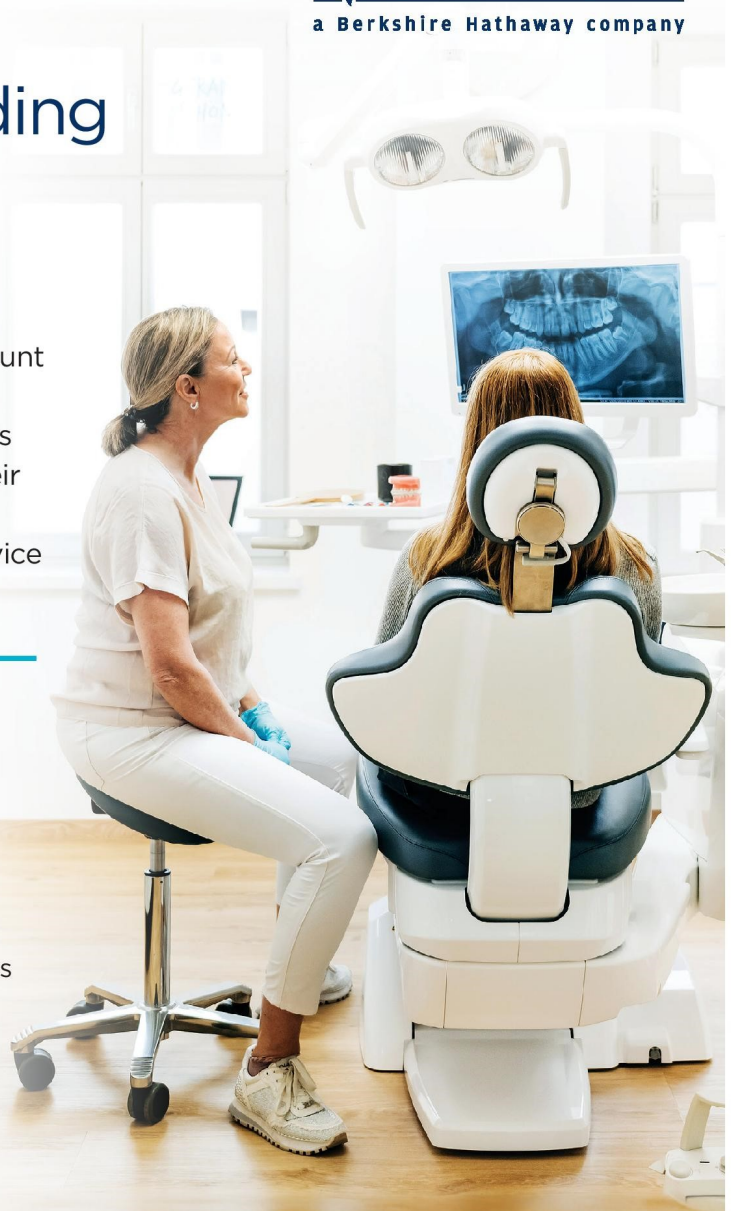
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1/11/2025	SCDS Officers Installation - Sponsorship Information
2/3/2025	Board of Directors Meeting
2/12/2025	Zoom General Membership Meeting - Advanced Registration Required
3/19/2025	Seminar Series 2025#1 Surgical Complications and Management in Implant Dentistry - Georgios E. Romanos, DDS, PhD
3/24/2025	Board of Directors Meeting
4/14/2025	Board of Director Meeting
4/26/2025	Give Kids a Smile - Sponsorship Info
4/27/2025	GLIDM - Greater Long Island Dental Meeting - special 1 day program for 2025
5/7/2025	General Membership Meeting - SBSMD Resident Lectures
5/12/2025	Board of Directors Meeting
5/12/2025	Seminar Series 2025#2 Drs Celin Arce and Amanda Piche - Surgical and Restorative Solutions in Today's Comprehensive Practice
6/11/2025	25th Annual Golf Outing - SAVE THE DATE
9/15/2025	Board of Directors Meeting
9/24/2025	Zoom General Membership Meeting
10/6/2025	Board of Directors Meeting
11/17/2025	Board of Directors Meeting
11/19/2025	General Membership Meeting
	New Events being researched

More details on events can be found on the back cover and within the bulletin.

Please note there are several events and courses in active planning, watch our website and our emails and social sites for updates (as events are subject to change). Your support, patronage and patience are appreciated as always. Please send any comments to Contact@SuffolkDental.Org.

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Dear Colleagues,

As I write my final Bulletin article as President of the Suffolk County Dental Society, I reflect on the year that has passed and the incredible journey we've shared together. This year has been marked by significant achievements and bold initiatives that have strengthened our position as a leading dental society. One of our most successful endeavors has been our TV and Digital Ad campaigns, which have effectively educated the public about the advantages of choosing an ADA Member Dentist. The campaign's success is evident in the numbers – Suffolk County member profile views on [FindADentist.ADA.org](https://www.findadentist.ada.org) have increased by more than 32% compared to our already impressive 2023 figures. I'm pleased to announce that this successful campaign will resume early next year, continuing to highlight the exceptional care provided by our members.

The impact of our advertising efforts extended beyond our initial expectations. Connoisseur Media, owner of popular radio stations, such as KJOY 98.3 and WALK 97.5, took notice of our message. This led to an exciting opportunity where I, along with our Executive Director Bill Panzarino, were interviewed for their weekly Island Outlook segment, which aired December 15th. It was a privilege to discuss the latest advancements in dentistry, emphasize the benefits of ADA membership, and showcase the exceptional quality of dental care available right here on Long Island.

In September, we witnessed a significant technological advancement as the ADA transitioned to the new Fonteva Salesforce management platform, replacing the previous Aptify system. While this transition is still evolving, the new platform promises enhanced functionality across all areas – from dues collection to event registration and reporting. You've already experienced some of these changes through the

new login credentials and CE Navigator for CE tracking. These improvements, though requiring some adjustments early on, will ultimately streamline our operations and improve your member experience.

I have always believed in the importance of supporting organized dentistry. This is not to say that I had never questioned how the ADA, NYSDA, or even the Suffolk County Dental Society serves its members - a sentiment that likely resonates with many of you. My tenure as president, and involvement within the society as delegate to both NYSDA and ADA, has afforded me the opportunity to witness the hard work and dedication of these organizations. For example, recently there were several bills of great importance to dentists, as well as the public, that passed both the New York State Assembly and Senate. Some were signed into law, but one key bill - the non-covered services bill - S.7577-A/A.7862-A, was vetoed. Make no mistake, this was not due to the failure of organized dentistry. I believe it was due to the unfortunate misinterpretation of the true intent of the bill by the Governor. Rest assured; organized dentistry will continue to fight the good fight for you through lobbying and outreach, as well as its continued efforts to educate our elected officials. There is still much work to do, with the dental loss ratio (DLR) and dental therapist legislation at the forefront of our profession.

As I prepare to pass the torch to Dr. Bill Bast, who will be sworn in as president on January 11th, 2025, I do so with complete confidence. Our Society's future is bright, and I know that under Dr. Bast's leadership, we will continue to advance and strengthen our position as a leading dental society. I must express my heartfelt gratitude to our other dedicated officers who have given so generously of their time and expertise: Dr. Elson, Dr. Klein, and Dr. Guariglia.
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The year was eventful!

It was a very big year, packed full of events and great change. And by great change I mean great in terms of magnitude and promise. On the event side of things we had tremendous lecturers in our top notch facility and delivered a great experience for all attendees. I hope you were one of many that took

advantage of these offerings. We have another great year planned for 2025 so come back if you did, and don't miss out this year if you did not!

I am thankful for our leadership in 2024, led by our President Dr. Steven Feigelson. We again promoted our ADA Members through TV and Digital Ads, educating the public, and pointing them to FindADentist.ADA.Org to find a member dentist (see page 12). We were on 5 radio stations (97.5 WALK-FM | 98.3 WKJY-FM | 103.1 The Wolf-FM | 94.3 The Shark-FM | 104.7 WHLI-FM) on December 15th discussing dentistry



on Long Island. I am grateful for the relationship we have with the Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine. Watch for a 2024 Year in Review video link in members email coming soon. My new years resolution is to start a bi-monthly audio or video announcement of SCDS activities and related news. Now that I've told you I feel obligated to deliver on it!

Please send any comments or questions to Contact@SuffolkDental.Org or call us at 631-232-1400.

Bill Panzarino - Executive Director, SCDS



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{Continued From Page 5} Their commitment and support, along with our Board of Directors, have been invaluable. Equal appreciation goes to our Executive Director, Bill Panzarino, and Executive Assistant, Carol Deerwester, whose tireless behind-the-scenes efforts have been crucial to our society's success. During my presidency, I have had the privilege of meeting dental leaders from across the country, and I've been proud to learn that our component is highly regarded nationally, thanks to the exceptional work that we do.

While my role as president is coming to an end, my commitment to serving our society continues as I transition to the position of treasurer. I take this responsibility seriously, understanding the importance of fiscal responsibility when managing our members' dues. However, I must emphasize that our society's strength lies in our

unity. Membership in the tripartite is more crucial now than ever before, and we rely on your continued support to maintain our high standards and achieve our goals. As I conclude this final presidential message, I want to express my deepest gratitude to our members for your trust, support, and dedication to our profession. The strength of our society lies not just in our individual expertise, but in our collective commitment to excellence and service. May the coming year bring you all continued success, fulfillment, and the joy in making a difference in your patients' lives. Remember, together we are stronger, and together we will continue to advance the noble profession of dentistry in Suffolk County and beyond.

Steven R. Feigelson, DDS

President Suffolk County Dental Society

Join us for our Officers' Installation Gala January 11, 2025

Watch for our BIG Mentorship Kickoff Event coming in February!

Check out all of our events at SuffolkDental.Org

Don't Miss Our 2025 Seminar Series Events

(see centerfold for savings)



Obituaries

Stanley Brottman, DDS – Dr. Brottman passed away on October 23, 2024 at the age of 85. Dr. Brottman was a graduate of Columbia University, had an office in Smithtown, and was an ADA member for 61 years.

Arnold Secor, DMD – Dr. Secor passed away on October 3, 2024 at the age of 82. Dr. Secor graduated from Temple University, had an office in Farmingville, and was a 58-year member of the ADA.

Thomas Walsh, DDS – Dr. Walsh passed away on August 31, 2024 at the age of 85. Dr. Walsh was a graduate of the University of Maryland, served as a Captain in the U.S. Air Force, and practiced in Smithtown. He was an ADA member for 60 years.

Recapping Autumn



Happy Holidays to all our wonderful members! In case you missed any of our fall events, here's a quick recap.

November 1st was the 15th annual Women's Dental Symposium where around 100 female dentists from Suffolk and Nassau enjoyed an excellent variety of CE lectures and fabulous speakers. The lead course was on specialty care dentistry given by Dr. Brooke Fukuoka. As always, the event is a great way to increase your clinical knowledge and skills while networking with your fellow female dentists. Be sure to join us next November!

Our final general membership meeting of the year on Nov 13th featured a lecture by periodontist Dr. David Scharf. At the meeting he discussed LANAP, laser assisted new attachment procedure, which he uses extensively in his practice to treat periodontally compromised patients. It was an extremely thorough and well done lecture.



Above—Dr. Brooke addresses the November 1st attendees. **Below** in our breakout sessions with colleagues



Above - Dr Scharf address 100+ Members at our November 15 General Membership Meeting.



I want to thank all the members who have signed up for events this fall as we transitioned the online platform. We know it hasn't been as easy or straightforward to register for events, but rest assured it will improve. Your membership and active participation in this society is more crucial every year. Organized dentistry brings so much value and legitimacy to our profession, but it's up to each of us to ensure it's survival. Please consider joining our next event or course.

Hailey Taylor, DDS
Chairperson SCDS Membership Committee

SEMINAR SERIES 2025

Surgical Complications and Management in Implant Dentistry



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Georgios E. Romanos, D.D.S., Ph.D., Prof. Dr. med. dent.

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COST	REGISTRATION	CE INFO
Wednesday, March 19, 2025	9:00am – 4:00pm EST	Media Center 150 Motor Parkway Hauppauge, NY. 11788	ADA member: \$300 Non-member: \$600 Aux: \$125 ADA Resident: \$60	CLICK HERE We offer full refunds or credit up till 7days before the date of the event	7 CE Course #2025-01

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Surgical Complications and Management in Implant Dentistry

**Georgios E. Romanos,
D.D.S., Ph.D., Prof. Dr. med. dent.**

Dr. Romanos is a Professor of Periodontology at Stony Brook University (SBU), School of Dental Medicine (SDM). Professor (Prof. Dr. med. dent.) of Oral Surgery/Implant Dentistry in Frankfurt/Germany; he is a former Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs and Director of Laser Dental Education at SDM; Fully trained in Periodontics, Prosthodontics, and Oral Surgery (Germany, USA); Board Certified in Oral Surgery and Implant Dentistry in Germany; Diplomate by the American Board of Periodontology; He is currently the Past President of the IADR Laser and Biophotonics Group, the Implantology Research Group of the IADR; the Academy of Osseointegration Foundation; Fellow of American Association for Dental Research, the Academy of Osseointegration, Int. College of Dentists, ICOI, ITI Foundation, Pierre Fauchard Academy; American Soc. Laser Medicine and Surgery, Great of NY Academy of Prosthodontics, Int. Academy Dental Facial Esthetics and the American College of Dentists.

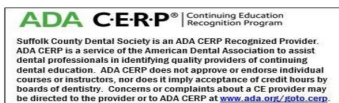
Professor Romanos has global educational and research activities and served as Visiting Professor and Scholar in Brazil, Italy, Spain, Malaysia, and Utah/USA. He is the author of more than 450 publications, and book chapters (h-Index: 85; over 23,000 citations), top 2% of scientists worldwide according to the AD scientific index 2022, 2023; editor and co-editor in eight dental books, guest editor of the Periodontology 2000, volume 81 on "Risks and their Prevention in Implant Therapy" and has been a dynamic speaker in more than 700 presentations (> 50 countries); Recipient of numerous scientific awards like the Distinguished Scientist Award from the American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) and the T.H. Maiman Award for Excellence in Dental Laser Research by the Academy of Laser Dentistry. Professor Romanos is the recipient of numerous international research grants, research mentor of more than 300 mentees worldwide and participant in many scientific organizations as a board member or had various leadership roles. He is well known for his international concepts of immediate loading based on animal and clinical studies and author of two books in this field.

In addition, to research and scholarly efforts, he is actively involved in training, clinical and didactic teaching in periodontology, oral surgery, implant-, and laser dentistry in NY and Germany and practices in NY clinically in periodontology, implant-, and laser dentistry.

Overview: Complications in implant dentistry are related to the implant systems, technical issues and biological conditions. The course will provide information for clinicians about the surgical complications (intraoperative and postoperative) and their management. The role of the soft and hard tissues and how to manage alveolar ridge deficiencies will be presented and potential risks and complications will be highlighted. Last but not least, the problem of peri-implant diseases and how to save dental implants will be addressed.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- To learn more about the complications in surgical implant dentistry
- To diagnose and manage surgical complications
- To manage peri-implant diseases in order to save failing dental implants



SEMINAR SERIES 2025



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Surgical and Restorative Solutions in Today's Comprehensive Practice

Celin Arce, DDS, MS, FACP - Amanda Piche, DDS

Breakfast and Lunch are provided at all Seminar Series Events at No Charge

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	COST	REGISTRATION	CE INFO
Wednesday, May 14, 2025	9:00am – 4:00pm EST	Media Center 150 Motor Parkway Hauppauge, NY. 11788	ADA member: \$300 Non-member: \$600 Aux: \$125 ADA Resident: \$60	CLICK HERE We offer full refunds or credit up till 7days before the date of the event	7 CE Course #2025-02

Surgical and Restorative Solutions in Today's Comprehensive Practice

During this course a comprehensive review of current protocols and techniques required to perform a proper diagnosis and treatment plan will be described. Problem solving options and limitations that are common during the treatment of our patients will be presented. This course will also highlight contemporary digital armamentarium available for the interdisciplinary team in order to optimize results.

Proposed Timetable

- 9am - 10:30 AM: Treatment Planning and Esthetic Anterior Implants
- 10:30 - 10:50 AM: Break
- 10:50 - 12:00 PM: Guided surgery, 3D printing/milling and Materials Review
- 12:00 PM to 1PM: Lunch
- 1:15PM – 2:30PM: Soft Tissue Coverage and GBR for teeth and implants
- 2:30PM - 2:45 PM: Break
- 3:00PM - 4PM: Complex Interdisciplinary Cases/Full Arches



Celin Arce, DDS, MS, FACP,

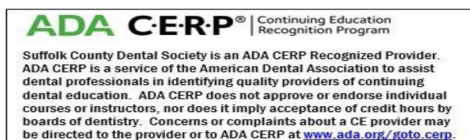
Dr. Arce is a board-certified prosthodontist. He received his dental degree from University Latina of Costa Rica, he completed residency in Advanced Prosthodontics at University of Alabama at Birmingham and Master of Science in Clinical Dentistry. He's Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and Fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists. He is currently Assistant Professor of the Restorative Sciences Department at the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry. Practice limited to esthetics and implants. KOL and consultant for different dental companies. National and international lecturer.



Amanda Piche, DDS

Dr. Piche graduated from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry and went on to complete the Advanced Education Program in Periodontology at the University of Alabama at Birmingham and received her Certificate in Periodontology. She is board certified through the American Academy of Periodontology and currently practices as an associate at Beaumont Periodontics in Lexington, KY.

1. Learn critical diagnostic steps in evaluating patients for smile design
2. Revise key elements of interdisciplinary treatment planning
3. Understand the implementation of current digital technologies used in esthetics and implants at clinical and laboratory setting
4. Review current intraoral digital impression capabilities and integration with 3D printing/milling in interdisciplinary complex cases
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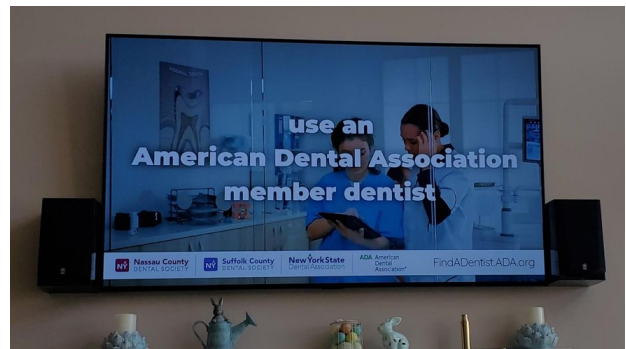
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SUFFOLK COUNTY-DATC DENTAL ASSISTANT TRAINING PROGRAM

A very serious shortage of dental assistants currently exists in New York.

The Suffolk County Dental Society (SCDS), in conjunction with the Dental Auxiliary Training Center, is pleased to announce the **39th** year of continuation of our comprehensive dental assisting training course. To meet the demand for trained dental assistants, the Suffolk County Dental Society sponsors this course to help prepare students who have a desire to learn and work as a dental assistant. SCDS dentist members interested in interviewing DATC students register their dental assisting job openings with DATC. **The following is course information for the DATC program which will begin in March.**

FUNDAMENTALS of CHAIRSIDE DENTAL ASSISTING TRAINING COURSE

COURSE DATES:	March 20, through June 26, 2025 (every Thursday evening for 15 weeks)
PLACE:	St. Charles Hospital & Rehabilitation Center 200 Belle Terre Road, Port Jefferson, NY 11777
TIME:	6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

THE COURSE IS DESIGNED FOR:

- * Students who are interested in entering or re-entering the career field.
- * Already employed dental assistants who have no formal classroom training.
- * Working dental assistants who are interested in preparing to take the DANB Exam.

This comprehensive course will provide a learning experience in the theory & background of the profession of dental assisting and provide hands-on-training in a clinical classroom setting. The course has been structured in such a way that the total time required for completion is only 15 sessions totaling 45 hours plus a 15-hour workbook study project.

The course is a total of 60 hours. TOPICS COVERED INCLUDE:

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Dental Specialties	Anesthesia	Dental Instrumentation
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New Dentist Corner with Dr. Devin Klein



On November 6th, we had our last New Dentist Event of the calendar year at The State Room in Patchogue. Dr. Publio Silfa, a general dentist practicing in

Commack, presented on Emotional Dentistry and Digital Smile Design. He explained to all attendees how he leverages digital technology and Digital Smile Design to connect with his patients and show them what is possible for their new smile. The presentation was full of tear-filled testimonies from patients that underwent comprehensive full mouth rehabilitation.

show! I would like to thank our sponsors for this event as well! Without their help, we would



be unable to continue to have these events. I also want to highlight that these events are a major member benefit as a New Dentist member. Take advantage of them! If you have a suggestion for a speaker you would like to see or a topic you would like to present on, please reach out to contact@suffolkdental.org.

For me, the most important takeaway from Dr. Silfa's presentation was to remember that developing trust with your patients is extremely important to your treatment success. Most of us joined the profession because we care for people and want to help them. Don't forget to let that

Enjoy the Holidays and New Year!

Devin

Devin Klein, DDS

SCDS New Dentist Chair



We welcome the following new members to the Suffolk County Dental Society
Elected between October and November 2024

New Members

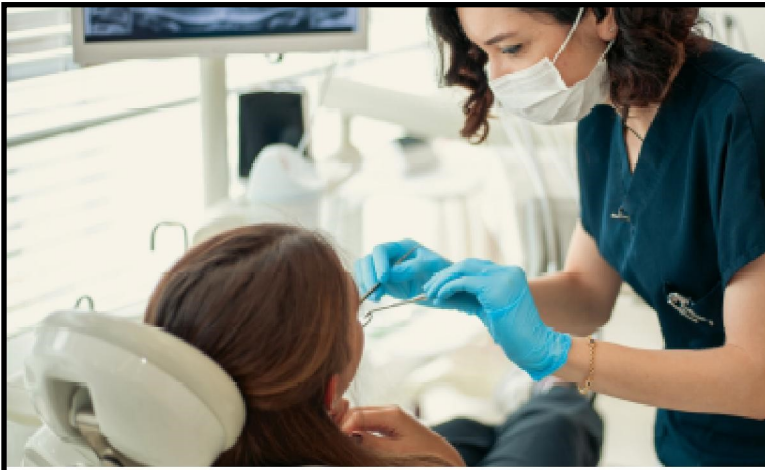
- Pamela Schneider, DMD
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- David Elsharouny, DDS
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Seventh Letter from the ADA Trustee to the NYSDA Components – December 2024 - Trustee's Corner

Holiday Greetings and Happy New Year to everyone and their families. I hope you have had a safe and productive 2024. This is the seventh version of the Trustee's Corner, and I am already past the halfway point of my four-year term. As I have mentioned in the past, I have been honored and fortunate to represent the Second District at the American Dental Association.

I never thought I would be talking about this following subject in these terms but due to a couple of questionable articles, a court case and the results of the recently completed national election, water fluoridation has garnered a good bit of attention in the news. As we all know, water fluoridation at the proper concentration (7 mg/liter or 7 parts per million) has been honored as one of the top ten health discoveries in the United States in the twentieth century. It has helped countless communities reduce caries rate approximately 25 percent for more than three quarters of a century. Multiple well controlled studies over the years have proved its' efficacy and safety many times over. We also know the concept of antifluoridation has a small but strong contingent of folks constantly fighting the fluoridation process and our efforts to expand those activities. It is important you know the ADA is a science-based association with a long history of using well tested and proven facts as a basis for caring for the public. We are and will defend the important role properly titrated fluoride addition to community water plays in fighting tooth decay. You have and will see our well thought out responses as the debate continues in the national news. Historically, proven science has always carried the day, and I think it will again. The American Dental Association has continued to reinforce this science with renewed studies and maintains the same policy recommending fluoridated water at the proper concentration throughout the United States. Roughly three quarters of the communities in our country have properly fluoridated water and we feel that should be higher. Stay tuned as your Association continues to make sure the public is provided with the correct information and historically proven positive outcomes associated with community water fluoridation.

The membership model pilot has officially begun as of November 1st, 2024. The five associations participating are the states of Washington, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico as well as the Washington, DC. Each of them and their components will determine the rate they are charging for membership alongside the reduction in ADA dues. Free membership will occur for first year dentists and a monthly charge of \$12 (\$144 per year) for dentists in their second through fifth years. For dentists beyond that, the charge will be \$300 per year. Operations will be streamlined to improve the member experience. A member loyalty program will help strengthen the value of membership and increase the engagement of dentists. In the future, pilot additions will likely include full-time faculty membership dues reductions (starting in 2025), a group practice membership pilot, the previously mentioned loyalty program, an international membership pilot, as well as expanding the pilot to more states.

It is important to note there are several states interested in joining the pilot in 2026. I strongly feel the New York State Dental Association should join this program in 2026. It is an important step in leading to long term financial sustainability and increasing the membership percentage of dentists in the tripartite from New York State. Our state association cannot continue to do business the way we have done in the past. Our percentage of members will dramatically decrease in the next two years if we don't change our thought process on this issue. We must think outside of the box, and I believe the membership pilot model is the best way to go. Please discuss this with your trustee, local leaders and component executive director. I truly think the tripartite will excel with this new process. If we continue down our current path, we will drop below 50% membership at the state and national level in 2026, and well below that several years after. I encourage all of you to learn the facts and play an important role in the future your local, state and national organizations.

The American Dental Association continues to be a strong member of the FDI World Dental Federation (Federation dentaire internationale). This past September, I attended the annual meeting in Istanbul, Turkey and took part in various meetings concerning world oral health. It is important to note the ADA is leading the charge in policy discussions and decisions. As you know, we determine policy through the ADA House of Delegates, and our international delegation promotes these policies as much as possible to the rest of the world. Many smaller countries take these new policies to their own ministries of health for direct input on decisions concerning their national oral health directives. It is important to share our scientific knowledge and policies with the rest of the world to improve oral health internationally. As we all know, caries and periodontal disease are at the top of the list worldwide for non-communicable diseases. In the fall of 2026, I will be traveling to Shanghai, China for the next annual FDI meeting to continue the discussion on oral health.

It is my hope that all of you have a constructive, healthy and safe year in 2025. I will be sending you my next correspondence in May or June. Please take care and remember you can email me at dowdb@ada.org or call me at 716-510-3217 if you have any questions or suggestions.

Sincerely, Brendan
Brendan Dowd DDS
ADA Trustee, Second District



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1/11/2025	SCDS Officers Installation - Sponsorship Information	Lands End - Sayville NY	7pm-11pm
2/3/2025	Board of Directors Meeting	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
2/12/2025	Zoom General Membership Meeting - Advanced Registration Required	Virtual Online - Zoom Event	7pm-9pm
3/19/2025	Seminar Series 2025#1 Surgical Complications and Management in Implant Dentistry - Georgios E. Romanos, DDS, PhD	150 Motor Pkwy, Hauppauge	9am-4pm
3/24/2025	Board of Directors Meeting	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
4/14/2025	Board of Director Meeting	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
4/26/2025	Give Kids a Smile - Sponsorship Info	Long Island Aquarium - Riverhead NY	10am-3pm
4/27/2025	GLIDM - Greater Long Island Dental Meeting - special 1 day program for 2025	SAVE THE DATE - LI Hilton - Melville NY	9am-7pm
5/7/2025	General Membership Meeting - SBSDM Resident Lectures	Radisson Hotel - 110 Motor Parkway Ha	6pm-9pm
5/12/2025	Board of Directors Meeting	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
5/12/2025	Seminar Series 2025#2 Drs Celin Arce and Amanda Piche - Surgical and Restorative Solutions in Today's Comprehensive Practice	150 Motor Pkwy, Hauppauge	9am-4pm
6/11/2025	25th Annual Golf Outing - SAVE THE DATE	Willow Creek Golf and Country Club - M	11am-7pm
9/15/2025	Board of Directors Meeting	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
9/24/2025	Zoom General Membership Meeting	Virtual Event on Zoom	7pm-9pm
10/6/2025	Board of Directors Meeting	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
11/17/2025	Board of Directors Meeting	150 Motor Pkwy	7pm-9pm
11/19/2025	General Membership Meeting	Radisson Hotel - 110 Motor Parkway, Ha	6pm-9pm
	New Events being researched		

It is always great to work with our colleagues at the Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine. We value all our interactions, including the 4 week ethics program led by Drs. Henner, Jonke, London, the D1 orientations, the D3 presentation on Organized Dentistry, and of course Signing Day with the D4s just to mention a few.

