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President's Letter



Dr. Chris Foix
ODDS President

As a father of three little kids, I hope your summer has been filled with fishing, goofing off, and cooling off by the pool. And if you happen to have a two year old boy, maybe keep a watchful eye so he doesn't rip his pamper off after dinner one night and run naked to the fridge, pull open the drawer and give the freezer a light spritzing. Just a word to the wise. Professionally, I hope your time in the office has been productive and rewarding!

I am proud to serve as your ODDS President this year. Looking ahead, NMOM is coming back to the Omaha metro area tentatively in early April and I don't think it's too early to start thinking about supporting that great endeavor. At the state meeting, I have been blown away by the magnificent speakers for the last 3 years and Dr. Bret Thomsen has lined up perhaps the nation's most in-demand speaker next April 27! I've been happy to hear the news that the ADA has succeeded in lobbying for a bill to repeal McCarran-Ferguson that passed the House of Representatives and another to stop insurance companies from telling us what we can charge for non-covered services in national PPO plans. Dr. Jerry Wees has some excellent speakers lined up for our general membership meetings. Last year, Jerry had a great idea to moderate a discussion of topics submitted by members. This topic (including any X-rays or pictures) can be communicated to Jerry or Diane Frost (our new, wonderful Executive Administrator) prior to the meeting and we can all throw in our 2 cents. In the absence of a topic, we might be able to persuade Marty Matz to sing and play guitar. If you managed to catch any big fish this summer feel free to submit those photos for appreciation and

admiration (or derision if your catch is judged to be completely pathetic compared to everyone else's).

Special thank you to Dr. Cass Pietrok for chairing this past Ben Kutler Memorial/ ODDS golf outing which raised nearly \$20,000 for charitable contributions to be made on behalf of the ODDS. It was a fun event, well attended, and a lot of behind the scenes work went into making it a blast for our members. Should anyone have any interest in chairing next year's golf outing, please contact me or Diane Frost. Thanks to Cass we have a pretty good template and she would probably lend some good advice to the next person if they ask nicely. ☺

I'd like to thank Dr. Roger Gerstner, who from the inception of my dental career, encouraged me in supporting our profession by taking an active roll in participating in organized dentistry. I've been attending meetings since I was in dental school at Creighton and the experience has given me far more than I've given back. We should always be mentioning to our non-member colleagues and especially new graduates the benefits we enjoy including the camaraderie and fellowship of our meetings. Our profession has its own unique stresses and rewards. Only your dentist peers can truly understand you when you talk about how your day was or how your career is going. I could go on forever about the various material benefits provided by our organization and how important it is that we act as advocates for ourselves and our patients. We are often very successful in this. It all begins and ends with member participation. I'd like to give a special "Thank You!" to all the ODDS Board members for sacrificing their time for the benefit of all of us. If anyone has any interest in some easy (and usually fun) ODDS participation, please consider being on the nominating committee this fall.

Looking forward to a great year in ODDS!

2017-2018 ODDS Calendar

These events are subject to change without notice. To avoid disappointment, please call 402-677-4451 to confirm the schedule.

SEPTEMBER

5 TUE

ODDS Board Meeting 5:45 pm Brazenhead Pub, 319 N 78th Street, Omaha, NE. ODDS members welcome.

12 TUE

ODDS General Membership Meeting 6-8:30 pm Anthony Steakhouse, 72nd and F, Omaha, NE.

Management of Cleft Lip and Palate



Dr. Jason Miller

Cleft lip and palate is by far one of the most common human craniofacial defects. Understanding the complex nature of the deformity and principles involved in its management is critical in obtaining good outcomes. A significant proportion of the

issues associated with orofacial clefting involves dentition and occlusion. It is therefore paramount that dental practitioners managing the care of patients with clefting have a strong understanding of these principles.

Dr. Jason Miller, Associate Professor of Surgery, Division of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery in the Department of Surgery at the University of Nebraska Medical Center will be our guest speaker. Dr. Miller is also the Medical Director for Craniofacial/Pediatric Plastic Surgery at Children's Hospital & Medical Center, the Surgical Director for the Craniofacial Anomalies Clinic at Boys Town National Research Hospital, and is a clinical instructor for CHI Creighton University Medical Center. In addition to his pediatric craniofacial practice, Dr. Miller is equally busy with adult aesthetic, plastic, and reconstructive surgery. He has published numerous papers on adult and pediatric plastic surgery and his work has been presented both nationally and internationally. Dr. Miller's impeccable reputation in pediatric craniofacial surgery attracts patients from all around the world.

This meeting sponsored in part by Benco.



29 FRI

Fall House of Delegates 3-5 pm Rivers Edge Convention Center, 265 33rd Avenue, Columbus, NE

OCTOBER

3 TUE

ODDS Board Meeting 5:45 pm Brazenhead Pub, 319 N 78th Street, Omaha, NE. ODDS members welcome.

10 TUE

ODDS General Membership Meeting 6-8:30 pm Anthony Steakhouse, 72nd and F, Omaha, NE.

Bring Your Dental Team to ODDS Night — Panel Clinical Controversies: Wisdom Teeth

Julie Wees, DDS, MS; Patrick Kelsey, DDS, MS; and Afolabi Ogunleye, BChD, DMD. More details to come.

19-23 THU-MON

American Dental Association 158th Annual Session

Georgia World Congress Center, Atlanta, GA

NOVEMBER

7 TUE

ODDS Board Meeting 5:45 pm Brazenhead Pub, 319 N 78th Street, Omaha, NE. ODDS members welcome.

14 TUE

ODDS General Membership Meeting 6-8:30 pm Anthony Steakhouse, 72nd and F, Omaha, NE.

DECEMBER

8 TUE

Holiday Party Champions Run Golf Course, 13800 Eagle Run Drive, Omaha, NE. More details to come.

JANUARY

2 TUE

ODDS Board Meeting 5:45 pm Brazenhead Pub, 319 N 78th Street, Omaha, NE. ODDS members welcome.

9 TUE

ODDS General Membership Meeting 6-8:30 pm Anthony Steakhouse, 72nd and F, Omaha, NE.

23 TUE

Nebraska Dental Association Legislative Reception

5-8 pm Renaissance Room, The Lincoln Marriott Hotel, 333 S 13th Street, Lincoln, NE. For details, contact the NDA AT 1-888-789-2614.



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FEBRUARY

6 TUE

ODDS Board Meeting 5:45 pm Brazenhead Pub, 319 N 78th Street, Omaha, NE. ODDS members welcome.

13 TUE

ODDS General Membership Meeting 6-8:30 pm Anthony Steakhouse, 72nd and F, Omaha, NE.

Student Presentations

Students from the Creighton University School of Dentistry and residents of the UNMC GPR and Pediatric Dentistry program will present the results of their research projects. We will also present scholarships to students in area dental assisting and dental hygiene programs. The scholarships are provided by Midwest OMS.



MARCH

6 TUE

ODDS Board Meeting 5:45 pm Brazenhead Pub, 319 N 78th Street, Omaha, NE. ODDS members welcome.

13 TUE

ODDS General Membership Meeting 6-8:30 pm Anthony Steakhouse, 72nd and F, Omaha, NE.

Offutt AFB 55th Dental Squadron AEGD Presentations
Residents from the Offutt AFB AEGD program present brief summaries of their research projects. This meeting is sponsored in part by Bank of the West.

APRIL

5-7 THU-SAT
[TENTATIVE]

Mission of Mercy Omaha

ODDS members and their dental teams are invited to volunteer at the largest oral health care community service project in Nebraska. Hundreds of volunteers make this event possible whether it is through hands-on dental care, patient intake, sterilizing instruments or even directing traffic. More information to come.

26 THU

NDA House of Delegates Embassy Suites, La Vista, NE. For more information, contact the NDA at 1-888-789-2614.

27 FRI

NDA Annual Session Embassy Suites, La Vista, NE. For more information, contact the NDA at 1-888-789-2614.

JUNE

TBA

2018 Dr. Ben Kutler Classic Golf Tournament
More details to come.

Training Opportunities for Dental Assistants

These courses are offered by the Metropolitan Community College Dental Assisting Program (South Omaha Campus). For more information, contact Joan Trimpey at jtrimpey@mcneb.edu.

Coronal Polishing for Dental Assistants

Friday-Saturday, September 22-23, 2017 — 8am-5pm

This course meets the requirements for a dental assistant to perform coronal polishing within the State of Nebraska.

Requirements: In order to take this course, an individual must be at least 18 years of age and has worked as a dental assistant for at least 1,500 hours (hours must be verified by the dentist the assistant is currently working for). The assistant must bring two live patients in the afternoon of the second day. Cost is \$375.

Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) Review Course

Saturday, November 4, 2017 — 9am-4pm (1 hour lunch break, on your own)

This course will cover the requirements and application process to take the Dental Assisting National Board exam to become a Certified Dental Assistant. Content areas in Infection Control, Radiology and components included in the General Chairside portion of the DANB CDA exam will be reviewed.

Requirements: Must meet the DANB requirement of having 3500 hours of documented work experience as a dental assistant or graduated from an ADA CODA Dental Assisting Program and have a current Health Care Provider CPR card. Cost is \$100.

About ODDS meetings:

The General Membership meeting begins at 6:00 pm with registration and social period. The CE begins promptly at 6:30. Dinner is served at 7:30, followed by a brief business meeting.

Please RSVP by the Friday before any event. Call 402-677-4451 or email OmahaDistrictDental@gmail.com.

PLEASE sign in on the sheets of paper at the name tag table. That sign-in sheet is your record of attendance in case you need CE certification for license renewal. If you do not sign in, your attendance is not confirmed. If your plans change at the last minute, you are welcome to attend the General Membership meeting without a reservation. Just be sure to sign in so we have a record of your participation.

Certificates of Continuing Education will be available after every presentation. It is your responsibility to maintain proof of your CE hours.

We are pleased to serve a quintessential Omaha steak dinner at ODDS meetings. If you prefer a chicken, fish (usually salmon), or vegetarian meal, please communicate that when you register. Please be sure to pick up the poker chip for your meal choice at the registration / name tag table. **It is your responsibility to let your wait staff know your meal preference; if you do not, you will receive steak.** Thanks for your help in making sure we have an accurate count and are not charged for uneaten dinners.

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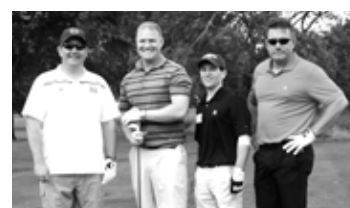
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Thanks to all who came out for the Omaha District Dental Society's Dr. Ben Kutler Memorial Classic Golf Tournament which was held at the Pines Country Club on June 23 this year. It was a great day for golf.

A special thanks to Dr. Pietrok and all the volunteers who made the day a huge success!

It would not have been possible if not for the support of these sponsors: Delta Dental, Patterson Dental, Henry Schein, Advanced Endodontic Therapy, Goracke and Associates, Heartland Endodontics, Kim McFarland, Nebraska Academy of General Dentistry, Nebraska Dental Association, Omaha Oral Surgery, Oral Surgery Associates, Red ITech, Watson Dental Lab, American National Bank, Dr. Donal and Nancy Scheidel.