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Dr. Natalie Frost 2023-24 ODDS President

# FROM THE PRESIDENT

With a grateful heart, I'd like to thank the members of the Omaha District Dental Society for allowing me to serve as your President this past year.

I would also like to thank the ODDS Executive Members and Board Members for your generous service to the society.

I can attest that many long evenings were spent together in the boardroom brainstorming the best ways to meet the goals and desires of our society and its members. Without everyone's involvement, much of the year's accomplishments would not have come to fruition.

I'd also like to extend sincere appreciation to our Executive Administrator, Erika Kampschnieder, for her thorough and tireless efforts. This is Erika's first year with our organization. The long list of objectives she has accomplished to support, innovate, and renew our society is beyond impressive. I look forward to having Erika involved with our society for many years to come!

The ODDS Board, led by our incoming President, Dr. Beth Kampschnieder, is already hard at work planning continuing education content for next year. Our Board incorporated feedback from the membership survey and is planning a variety of interesting topics and speakers. We are strategically choosing various days of the week and time frames to satisfy not only our member requests, but

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DEADLINE APPROACHING

MARCH 31 IS THE DEADLINE TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP WITHOUT EXPERIENCING A LAPSE IN BENEFITS. IF YOU HAVE NOT RENEWED, NOW IS THE TIME!

#### **RENEWAL OPTIONS**

Contact Jody Cameron for assistance: jody@allophone.com also important licensure requirements for opioid/PDMP and infection control training. Please stay tuned for meeting dates and details for the 2024-2025 year. The society will be in excellent hands with Dr. Beth Kampschnieder as our future president!

Earlier this month, many of our members and their guests joined together for a Casino Night to support the ODDS Annual Giving Fund. I am proud to communicate that all proceeds from this event will be donated to the UNMC Pediatric Dentistry Program to assist in providing dental care for children in need. Stay engaged with our social media platforms and watch for emails about future social outings and philanthropy events!

I hope to see our Omaha District dentists and their team members at the NDA annual session, in La Vista on April 12th! Your ODDS leadership will convene on April 11th, for the NDA House of Delegates. If you have ideas, or suggestions regarding ODDS or the NDA, please feel welcome to contact me.

In closing, thank you again for the opportunity and honor to serve as your 2023-2024 Omaha District Dental Society President.

In gratitude and service,

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On March 8, 2024 the ODDS Annual Giving Fund held Casino Night to support the UNMC Pediatric Dentistry Program. The event was held at Champions Run and featured an hors d'oeuvres buffet, live music performed by *Mr. Memories* -*Joe Taylor*, and classic casino games provided by Fun Services. The casino included craps, blackjack, poker, and roulette.



Dr. Alexandria Thomas, a first-year resident at UNMC Pediatric Dental, spoke briefly at the event. Dr. Thomas shared that one of the biggest roadblocks their program faces is providing care for the uninsured and underinsured populations they serve. She gave an example of a patient that was unable to be treated in their clinic and was in need of an operating room; they were unable to provide that due to funding limitations. Events like Casino Night help the UNMC Pediatric Dental program provide care for patients, such as the one in her example.

Event totals are still being finalized. Stay tuned to the ODDS social media pages and website to celebrate the total donation made to UNMC Pediatric Dentistry as a result of this event. A check will be presented to the UNMC Pediatric Dental program during the Nebraska Dental Association Awards and Leadership Dinner on April 11, 2024.

#### This event would not have been possible without the support of our sponsors



## LIFE EVENTS

We are celebrating the successes and life events of our members. Congratulations to the following:

- Dr. Takanari Miyamoto on his appointment to the Nebraska Board of Dentistry
- Dr. John Thomas on his retirement
- Dr. Natalie Frost on her appointment to the American Academy of Periodontology Board of Trustees
- Dr. Antonia Jones on passing her recertification exam for the American Board of Orthodontics

With heavy hearts we honor the lives of our members who have passed on:

- Dr. Robert Brady (9/11/1934 12/31/2023)
- Dr. Frank Semin (12/30/1933 1/13/2024)
- Dr. Lawrence Kelley (8/23/1947 3/12/2024)

Do you or a dentist you know have a life event to share? We want to know! Email our Life Events Committee Chair, Dr. Kelsey Birchem (<u>drkelseybirchem@gmail.com</u>). We want to celebrate weddings, births, and professional advancements as well as show our support during challenging times.



Pictured left, Dr. Takanari Miyamoto will serve on the Nebraska Board of Dentistry for a partial term through November 30, 2024. More information about meetings of the Board of Dentistry can be found on the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services website.

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REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN. ATTENDEES CAN CHOOSE FROM NUMEROUS SESSIONS TO CUSTOMIZE THEIR CONTINUING EDUCATION EXPERIENCE. EARLY REGISTRATION IS REQUESTED & THOSE IN NEED OF A HOTEL ROOM ARE ENCOURAGED TO BOOK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SPECIAL CONFERENCE SWAG BAGS WILL BE GIVEN TO THE FIRST 250 NDA DENTISTS TO REGISTER.

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#### LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The most recent issue of the NDA newsletter hit mailboxes across the state recently and is also available online. It features detailed information on the legislative bills impacting dentists in Nebraska. Dr. Scott Morrison and the NDA are closely monitoring this legislation and advocating on your behalf. Find an electronic copy of the NDA newsletter **here.** 

MOLLY MCNEELY, DDS, FAGD, MAGD

Featured speakers: ASHLEY CLARK, DDS **ANKUR A GUPTA, DDS** 

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So what can you do?? Get involved by advocating for your profession. Learn more about the bills impacting YOU and contact the senators on the committee to which the bill has been referred.

Visit https://nebraskalegislature.gov/ and enter the bill number in the top right search bar.



## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

| 4/11/24 | Meetings of the NDA Board of<br>Trustees & House of Delegates |
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| 4/12/24 | NDA Annual Session  |
| 5/7/24  | ODDS Board Meeting  |

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2025 is a Dental License renewal year. The ODDS Board of Directors is thrilled to share that 2024-25 continuing education offerings are being planned to include 3 hours of Opioid/PDMP training and 2 hours of Infection Control to help YOU meet your renewal requirements. Renewal information can be found here.

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THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TYPICALLY MEETS AT 5:45PM ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH. ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM AT OMAHA ORAL SURGERY

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## **ELECTION RESULTS**

Annual elections were held during the Membership Meeting on January 19, 2024. The ODDS Board of Directors thanks the Nominating Committee for putting together a diverse slate of candidates to advance the goals and objectives of the society. The Board also extends gratitude to all who volunteered to serve the ODDS.

President-Elect: Dr. Gene Gaspard Treasurer: Dr. Cameron Thomas Secretary: Dr. Kelsey Birchem NDA Trustee: Dr. Donal Scheidel Member at Large: Dr. Amber Grode, Dr. Shayna Mattox, Dr. Nicole Muelleman

#### Delegates to the NDA House of **Delegates:**

Dr. Jennifer Hasslen, Dr. Emily McCarthy, Dr. Deb West, Dr. Marty Wolff

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Dr. Daniel Chartrand, Dr. Kyle Hascall, Dr. Chad Ortmeier, Dr. Ben Peters, Dr. Ben Reimer, Dr. Corinne Van Osdel, Dr. Patrick Wachter, Dr. Nick Woodward



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