

General Meetings and CE 2005-2006*Program Chairperson**Dr. Scott Galkin***October 18, 2005**

Dr. Donald Lewis

"What You Don't Know Can Hurt You"
(Fraud and Identity Theft Prevention)

November 15, 2005

Dr. Keith Rossein

"Narrow-Bodied Long-Term &
Transitional Implants: Great Implant
Practice Builders"

January 17, 2006

NJDA Officers Night/Induction of Life
Members

February 21, 2006

Dr. John Molinari

"Update on Vaccine Recommendations"

March 21, 2006

Dr. Gerald Greitzer

"Adhesive Dentistry"

April 18, 2006

Dr. Michael Glick

"Emerging Infectious Diseases: An Up-
date for Dental Healthcare Providers"

May 16, 2006

STAFF NIGHT

GENERAL MEETING**Tuesday****October 19, 2004****THE PINES****Route 27, Edison, NJ**

Registration 6:00

Business Meeting 6:30*

Dinner & Speaker 7:00

* We intend to start the Business Meeting promptly at 6:30. If you would like to attend the meeting, please be in the meeting room at that time. If you wish to continue conversations, kindly do so outside the meeting room.

The Dental Newsletter

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*A Publication of the Middlesex County Dental Society***Outgoing/Incoming Presidents' Messages ... Ross Kline/Stephen Lawson**

Dear Members and
Friends:

As many of you already know, due to unforeseen circumstances, I have sold my practice and am moving back to my hometown of Harrisburg PA. This was due to the tragic death of a Periodontist from Harrisburg, who was killed in a bicycling accident. The remaining partners in that practice have approached me with an offer of partnership, and I have accepted. This has been a difficult decision, but the change will allow me, Jane, and our children to be closer to our family.

Therefore, I have given my resignation to the board of the MCDS. It has been an honor and privilege to know all of you and to be an active member in our society. I hope that we all realize how important organized dentistry is to our professional lives, and how critical it is that we continue to remain involved and "stay the course". It is only through all of our joint efforts that we will be able to take dentistry into the future, in a direction we know will benefit our profession and our patients. Without the involvement and support of organized dentistry, someone else will surely end up making critical decisions about our profession and how we treat our patients. This could lead to devastating consequence to our patients and dentistry in general.

Therefore, as I prepare to leave Middlesex County, I urge you all to continue your support and membership in the MCDS and to stay involved. Bring a friend or colleague to a meeting and help the Society grow.

I wish you and your families' health, happiness, and prosperity.

-Ross Kline



I want to thank Dr. Kline for his dedication and service to our society for the previous 5 years. As the new Acting President for MCDS, I want to assure our members that

the transition of leadership will not present any problems for our meetings and CE programs for 2005-2006. All of our speakers and corporate sponsors were confirmed during the summer. I am excited by this opportunity and look forward to meeting you at our next general meeting.

Membership in our society continues to grow. We now have dentists with many different backgrounds and concerns. The MCDS Board of Trustees invites all interested members to our board meetings to learn how you can become an active member. Your participation is vital for the continued success of our society. Our officers, council representatives and committee chairpeople are eager to speak with you. Please visit our website for photographs, phone numbers and e-mail addresses or simply introduce yourself at our general meetings.

Please remember to register for our 3 full day CE programs. Your support is needed to attract corporate sponsorship and allow us to bring nationally recognized speakers to our society. This month, Dr. Donald Lewis will speak about dental office embezzlement. Dr. Lewis is a "Certified Fraud Examiner" and he has well over 150 reported cases in which healthcare professionals have discovered that they are victims of fraud and embezzlement.

I also urge you to register for our Mentor CE program. Dr. Martin Jablow, a MCDS member, is one of 3 experts that will speak at a course entitled "Dental Technology Solutions-Simplifying Technology". These 4 convenient and inexpensive CE courses will provide you with 27 CEU credits!

I will see you in October!

-Stephen Lawson

“What You Don’t Know Can Hurt You” (fraud and identity theft prevention)

Featured Speaker: Dr. Donald Lewis



Dr. Donald Lewis is a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and is currently in private practice in Cleveland, Ohio. Dr. Lewis is an Associate Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Case Western Reserve University School of Dentistry and is a guest lecturer in the Department of Sociology at Kent State University as well as for the MBA program at the Weatherhead School of Business at Case Western Reserve University. He is also the Oral Surgery Consultant for the Cleveland Clinic. Dr. Lewis earned the designation of “Certified Fraud Examiner” from the Board of Regents of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners. Dr. Lewis is one of only two dentists in the world to hold this designation. Through his efforts, Dr. Lewis has documented that health care professionals are uncovering white-collar crime in their practices. Dr. Lewis has also published numerous articles about white-collar crime in local, state, and national publications.

This lecture will help the attendee protect themselves from consumer fraud. Such topics as identity theft, check fraud, pyramid schemes, telemarketing schemes, credit card fraud, investment schemes and internet and website fraud will be covered. You will be given facts, details, and proven solutions to protect yourself from becoming a victim of consumer fraud. The lecture will help each individual to understand and have the ability to incorporate these thoughts and ideas into everyday life.

MCDS Board of Trustees Report

- September 13, 2005 -

Attendance: Ashmen, Fahsbender, Galin, Glickman, Kahn, Kline, Krantz, Lawson, Leizer, Rosen, Schambra, Silverstein, Vitale, Wasserman, Weiner
Acceptance of Minutes-vote unanimous.

President’s Report-Ross Kline

Life members to be inducted in January can access a bio form on our website. PA passed a law to allow hygienists to administer local anesthesia. NJ may be looking into this. We will be continuing our outreach to promote careers in dental assisting.

Treasurer’s Report-James Courey

See full report on page 3.

Editor’s Report-Mitch Weiner, Bob Silverstein, Constantine Simos

Just a reminder that the deadline for submission of content for the next newsletter will be the evening of the Pines Manor dinner at the latest. Thanks to all for their diligence in submitting content for the September issue on time.

Program Chairperson’s Report-Scott Galkin

We sent out a letter to all of the members listing the courses that they attended and the credit hours. All of the Tuesday night lectures listed as 1 CEU should be 2 CEUs.

ADA Delegate’s Report-Joel Leizer

The ADA meeting is at the beginning of October. The biggest issues this year will likely be access to care, dental education and licensure. These issues have been on the table for several years and are still being investigated.

NJDA Trustee’s Report-Richard Kahn

See report on page 4 under NJDA Noteworthy News.

NJDA Council Reports:

Membership-Scott Galkin

We have 12 new members.

Peer Review-John Fahsbender, Mark Vitale

One case went to a plenary hearing; the amount being asked for by the patient was split between the dentist and the patient. One case was resolved by mediation.

Committee Reports:

Corporate Sponsorship-Constantine Simos

Both Smith Barney Financial and AFTCO have expressed interest to advertise

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Attention MCDS Members

Anyone who is interested in providing pro bono emergency dental care for victims of Hurricane Katrina who have been resettled in Middlesex County, please call Marlene at 732-238-1255

Congratulations in Order

MCDS Congratulates past-President Dr. Peter DeSciscio on his election as Vice President of the NJ State Board of Dentistry

Provide NJDA with your email address!

By having your email address, NJDA can get vital and timely information to you, such as the surprise visits from DEP. Register at www.NJDA.org.

In Memoriam

MCDS extends its condolences to Dr. Steven Cennamo on the loss of his son.



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Detailed Treasurer's Report
August 31, 2005
James Courcy, DDS

	(8/1/05-8/31/05)	
Checking	27,579.89	27,586.39
Money Market	58,269.60	58,340.92
TOTAL	85,849.49	85,927.31

P&L STATEMENT CHECKING ACCOUNT
(8/1/05-8/31/05)
INCOME

Interest Earned	6.50
TOTAL INCOME	6.50

EXPENSES

TOTAL EXPENSES	0.00
OVERALL TOTAL	0.00

P&L MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT

(8/1/05-8/31/05)

INCOME

Interest	71.32
TOTAL INCOME	71.32

EXPENSES

TOTAL EXPENSES	0.00
OVERALL TOTAL	71.32

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MCDS Board of Trustees Report

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in the newsletter through the end of the 2005-2006 year. Sponsors are needed for the February meeting, Dr. Molinari's presentation.

Budget and Finance-Ira Rosen, Nancy Villa

The budget will be ready for the next Board meeting.

Mentor-Ethan Glickman

For the Spring session 2005, we were fortunate to have Dr. Ed Galkin, one of our MCDS members of Woodbridge, speak to us about his incredible trip "Around the World in a Single Engine Plane in 42 days". His mission was to raise funds and awareness of a very rare disease called, Fibrousdysplasia Ossifacans Progressiva. (MCDS has made a donation to combat the disease in lieu of honorarium). This presentation was combined with a scientific program about the "Florida Probe". In addition, we held the "Annual OSHA Certification Seminar" Thursday, June 16, 2005 from 6:30-8:30PM at St. Peter's Medical Center. Two (2) CEU credits were awarded to the 39 dentists and 108 staff who attended. This program satisfied the OSHA standard on Occupational Exposure to Blood Borne Pathogens, which is required annually for dentists and staff. At \$15/per person, this is another great member benefit for belonging to MCDS!

Our fall session includes another OSHA Certification Seminar which will be presented on November 29, 2005, Tuesday evening, at St. Peter's Medical Center. Next, we will have Dental Technology Solutions - Simplifying Technology on Wednesday, December 14, 2005 9:00AM to 4PM (6 CEU credits): Having a hard time keeping up with the latest dental technology ??? We have a possible answer for you - Dental Technology Solutions!

See the registration and information insert in this October 2005 MCDS newsletter.

New Business

- The Board voted to donate \$500 to help find a cure for Fibrousdysplasia Ossifacans Progressiva in consideration of Dr. Ed Galkin's lecture on May 26th.
- Mark Vitale's sister (Laura-Jo Vitale-Bender) did a wonderful job coordinating staff night. Dr. Weiner made a motion to hire her as our event planner. This was tabled until next meeting.
- The Board voted to donate up to \$2000 to help the dentists in Louisiana and Mississippi affected by Hurricane Katrina. The exact amount and mechanism for the donation will be determined later.
- The Board unanimously resolved to help Dr. Kaminker in any way we could and offer him our moral support.
- Dr. Kahn is running for Treasurer of NJDA. The Board unanimously resolved to support him.
- Dr. Kline submitted his resignation as MCDS President (he has sold his practice and moved to Harrisburg, PA). Dr. Stephen Lawson takes over as Acting President.

Good & Welfare

The Board wished Dr. Kline the best in his new endeavors and welcomed Dr. Lawson as Acting President.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Silverstein for Mark Vitale

SUPPORT YOUR SOCIETY WHILE MAXIMIZING YOUR MEMBER BENEFITS

MCDS's three full-day courses in October, November and April will provide our membership with 3 continental breakfasts, 3 lunches and 21 hours of CE for only \$150 (or \$65/individual course). This is all due to the generosity of our corporate sponsors, Benco Dental (Oct.), Excel-Berger Dental Laboratory (Nov.) and Kuwata Pan Dent Laboratory (Apr.). We are urging ALL of our members to FILL OUT and RETURN YOUR REGISTRATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE as our October lecture is rapidly approaching. It is only with the continued enthusiastic support of the membership that we can continue to attract sponsors who will assist us in defraying costs so that we can deliver the nations top speakers to you at cost. SUPPORT YOUR SOCIETY.

NJDA Noteworthy News

STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY REPORT – Dr. Robert A. Hersh

Enteral Sedation Regulation was adopted. Because of inadequate course availability, the permit requirement of this regulation will be deferred until July 1, 2006.

The Criminal Background check will not be implemented for dentists until the November 2007 biennial license registration renewal.

An amendment to the parenteral sedation and general anesthesia regulations has been drafted. This amendment will allow contract anesthesiologists without a hospital affiliation to provide anesthesia in dental offices.

The State Board is investigating whether records of minor infractions can be expunged. The current regulation contains no provision for the removal of minor infractions from the records of dentists.

A letter was read from UMDNJ regarding an Australian orthodontist who could not serve on the faculty of the dental school because of his non-licensed status in New Jersey. The issue of whether a dentist not licensed in NJ could participate in a “hands on” CE course in New Jersey was discussed. The issue was referred to committee for a more thorough evaluation.

Dr. Herbert Dolinsky has been elected to the position of President of the State Board of Dentistry and Dr. Peter DeSciscio has been elected Vice President of the State Board of Dentistry. Both are members of NJDA.

COUNCIL ON DENTAL EDUCATION & MEMBERSHIP – Ms. Tricia DeCotiis

Weekend Study Club continuing education courses have been arranged for the year. The first course will be held September 17th on Forensic Dentistry and to date has 17 registrants. The second course will be held October 16th on Digital Photography and has 19 registrants to date. The third course is scheduled for November 13th on The Risks, Benefits, Indications and Techniques for Immediate Loading/Provisionalization of Dental Implants and to date has 11 registrants. The 4th course is scheduled for December 10th and has 3 registrants to date. The subject is Beyond Pregnancy: Bringing a New Focus to Oral Health Issues of Women.

The Council on Dental Ed is also running the Dental Assistant scholarship program. September 15th is the deadline for students to submit applications. Four \$500.00 scholarships will be awarded by the Council.

The Employment Exchange Program is very active. To date we have 292 dentists, 76 dental hygienists and 24 dental assistants registered with the program.

As of the date of this meeting, 4,534 members have paid their 2005 dues.

The next Women’s Initiative course is scheduled for November 19th on the Fundamentals of Creating a Staff Driven Practice. This course will be available to members and non-members and their staffs. It will be held at the Pines Manor and will be funded by the company presenting the program, Staff Driven Practices.

COUNCIL ON DENTAL BENEFITS PROGRAMS – Ms. Mary Moskal

There was a meeting with representatives of the NJSOM to discuss problems that oral surgeons have relative to treatment that is covered under both a medical and dental plan, so that NJDA would be in a better position to assist. Many of the problems discussed were Delta-specific, and NJDA was able to communicate with Delta in advance in an attempt to gather information and solicit Delta’s assistance with its policy on submitting to the medical plan first. Significantly, Delta has agreed to assist dental offices in tracing medical claims to which the carrier has not responded. However, in a departure from past policy, Delta will be requiring dentists to submit EOBs from medical plans, even when the dentist knows that the procedure is not covered by medical. On another front, Delta Dental Plan is introducing a new plan (“Patient Direct”) that will be marketed to individuals without group dental coverage. This plan appears to be similar to the other discount programs already on the market. Finally, ADA has just posted on its website a “Third Party Complaint Form” similar to what NJDA has been doing for many years. Dentists who submit complaints via this mechanism will not receive assistance; it is for data collection purposes only.

There was a meeting with Congressman Pallone where it was vowed to bring together the resources to create more clinics in NJ to serve disadvantaged children. Governor Cody has created a \$30 million initiative to get ten more care facilities. These facilities (FQHC) are Federally Qualified Health Centers. Liberty Science is developing a program with the schools for oral health education and has contacted NJDA to be a partner. Mr. Meisel reported that the Task Force on Access to Care had one meeting with the New Jersey Department of Health & Senior Services. Future meetings are expected to involve the Department of Education and the Department of Human Services.

MARKETING & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS – Mr. Eric Elmore

The membership directory is now on line at the NJDA Website. Any changes will be posted every six weeks, starting from July 31, 2005. Also, the internet message boards are now active.

Lastly, NJDA’s Give Kids A Smile (GKAS) is scheduled for Friday, February 3, 2006. We have joined with the ADA and will have the GKAS Day on the same day it is celebrated nationally.

COUNCIL ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS – Mr. Jim Schulz

The fluoride issue is being delayed and probably stopped because the Public Health Council is being changed to an advisory committee and they are not going to move the regulation at this time. Governor Codey has received a lot of correspondence

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from other public health services indicating their disapproval of his action. Next week we will be meeting with Commissioner Jacobs of the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services.

On September 21, 2005 NJDPAC is having a fund raiser for Dr. Jeff Van Drew at the Association headquarters after the regularly scheduled Board of Trustees meeting.

NJDPAC is doing well and he thanked everyone for their support.

COUNCIL ON ANNUAL SESSION

Annual Convention shows a \$50,000 surplus with a small amount owed still outstanding. As you know, the Society of Periodontists partnered with NJDA at the annual convention for the first time this year. The Taj Mahal will host the 2006 Annual Session and the speaker roster is well underway and should be finalized in September.

At the last Council on Annual Session meeting a resolution was passed which would require amending the NJDA Bylaws. The hygienists and assistants, who were co-sponsors of the Annual Session Convention and fully participated in all the Council's meetings, could not vote for the Vice Chair of the Council. The NJDA Bylaws state that only members can vote. Under the Bylaws, they can be consultants. A motion was made and adopted to amend the NJDA Bylaws to allow those participating organizations one vote per organization on all matters that come before the Council on Annual Session, including the election of the Vice Chairman

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT – Mr. Art Meisel

NJDA had received an invitation to meet with the Department of Environmental Protection. They were given a draft of a proposed regulation that would require dentists to conform to Best Management Practices. This is something that both NJDA has been promoting for the last two or three years and the ADA has been talking about longer. There was one caveat: The Department would add as part of the Best Management Practice a requirement to have amalgam separators in dental offices and facilities. The Department wanted to get a sense of how we felt and we explained that we supported BMP's but opposed the requirement to install amalgam separators. There will be a Task Force convened by DEP and we will have four representatives on that Task Force along with others which include the operators of waste water treatment plants, clean water advocates and others. This will be an informal sit down with no vote but seems to be a mechanism where the various interested groups sit at the table and have a discussion. The DEP will have representatives present and they will listen to everyone before they publish the proposal.

We also received an invitation to meet with Commissioner Campbell of the DEP, the current chair of the Task Force and the senior staff of the DEP. By the end of the meeting, the Commissioner said that we had raised some issues that he really had to think about. Mr. Meisel felt we still have an uphill battle but felt that the door seemed to be open. To assure adequate expertise during the Task Force meeting convened by the DEP, it was decided to reach out to ENVIRON. Environ is the group that did the work for the ADA on an environmental scan. The individual from that group who was very involved was a gentleman by the name of Jay Vandevan. The report that was performed nationally for the ADA has just been published this past May in a peer reviewed journal. Mr. Vandervan has been contacted and has agreed to appear on behalf of the Association at a cost of \$2000. The data seems to show that by use of BMP without amalgam separators, which would include chairside traps and filters immediately before the vacuum pumps, approximately 81% of amalgam would be removed. If amalgam separators are used, an additional 14% would be removed, totaling 95%. If nothing was used, it is estimated that the treatment plant would recover 95%. The main difference is if amalgam is captured in the dental office and disposed of properly, then an estimated eighteen pounds of mercury would not reach the atmosphere in the form of mercury vapor.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Dr. August D. Pellegrini

At the ADA Conference, access to care, licensure with a standard national exam (two remain – ADEX and WREP) and environmental issues were the topics discussed.

NJ Donated Dental Services Annual Report revealed that the DDS program was formed in 1998 and has serviced 6,049 patients, donated care valued at \$9.9 million, with participation of 748 dentists and 130 labs.



NJDA Director of Governmental Affairs Jim Schulz (L.) with MCDS Acting President Dr. Stephen Lawson (R.).

September
Meeting
Highlights



MCDS Acting President Dr. Stephen Lawson (R.) and Program Chairperson Dr. Scott Galkin with September featured speaker Michael Schaff, JD



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