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The Greater Springfield Dental Hygienists' Association Newsletter Vol. IV August 2007

President's Address

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as president of the GSDHA. Saying it has been a rewarding experience is an understatement. Two years ago I would not have imagined the opportunities that would come my way. I have met many interesting people and formed friendships that otherwise would not have been possible. I learned more about the needs of our community. I have enjoyed getting to know the OTC dental hygiene students. I became more aware of the issues of our profession, both on the state and national level. I even learned how to navigate my computer better! Thank you, officers and committee chairs for all your help. Our first meeting will be Tuesday, Sept 11, and we will install our new officers. The GSDHA will provide pizza and drinks. Our meetings are open to all dental professionals. If you are not a member, I invite you to join. I hope to see you soon. Pat Hinojosa

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Congratulations Graduates of the OTC Class of 2007!

Teddy Byler, Susan Raysor, Stacy Broyles-Moroti, Sherry Hall, Sarah Marko, Sara Luna, Nina Martinov, Nicole Cornelison, Michelle Burk, Kristen Murphy, Jessica Burdick, Donald Snyder, Dawn Ketchum, Amy Wilson, Adam VonAllmen, Tiffany Stockwell, Paula Ruth.

Elections and Installation of officers Sept. 11

The following people have expressed an interest in the positions listed below for 2007-2008. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please be present Sept 11. Many workers make light load.

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| President: | Lisa Hunter | CE: | Teri Rose, Angie Pyrah, Megan Williams |
| Vice President: | Rachel Konnerup | Hospitality: | Alyson Fuchs, Sandra Gilman, Audrey Bishop |
| Secretary: | Nancy Klotz | HyPAC: | Sherry Hall |
| Treasurer: | Amanda Hart | Membership: | Open |

New Guidelines from the American Heart Association

The ADHA recently published new guidelines regarding the use of precautionary antibiotics prior to dental visits for the prevention of infective endocarditis. You can read the guidelines at www.adha.org.

Membership Benefit Update

The following upgrades are free for members: MBNA's ADHA Credit Card, Geico Auto and Homeowners Insurance, Marsh Affinity Group Disability, Major Medical, Accidental Death, Dismemberment, Malpractice and Term Life Insurance, Hotel Discount Program for AmeriHost Inn, Ramada Inn, Days Inn, Travelodge, Wingate Inn, Knight's Inn, Villager Inn and Howard Johnson. For more information about any of these member discounts call 1/800-243-2342 .

Noteworthy - GSDHA member Kim Wilson is President Elect for MDHA. Stacie Scrivner is Past President and Deb Fletcher-Adams is Secretary for MDHA.

Community Outreach

The Springfield Public Schools are requesting help with their health fair. The following dates are open: 9/27 Truman; 9/28 Boyd; 10/2 York; 10/8 Campbell; 10/10 Watkins; 10/16 Weaver; 10/17 Sunshine, Weller; 10/18 Jeffries, Roundtree; 10/19 Twain, 10/25 Mann, Robberson; Please call 882-4117 if you can help.

FREE Sonicare Elite, Free Lunch for the office!!!

Laura Stout, Sonicare representative is offering a FREE Sonicare Elite power toothbrush to any hygienist that signs up their Office for a lunch and learn. The Sonicare Elite will be delivered to the hygienist on the day of the lunch and learn. Unfortunately, it is only one free Sonicare per office but we have a great professional discount for the rest of the staff to experience Sonicare. Please email Laura Stout at laura.stout@philips.com to schedule your lunch and learn or any other questions/orders you may have. Laura Stout, Sales Specialist, 800-676-7664 ext. 3122

CE Schedule for GSDHA 2007-2008

*Please check the GSDHA website for any changes in dates and or locations www.gsdha.org. CE is free for ADHA members, students, and graduates who have converted their membership to active prior to meeting date. Non-members - \$10 per hour of CE. Fee waived for those who join ADHA at the meeting.

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| <u>Tues Sept 11</u> | Library Center, South Campbell | Dr. Stan Hall | <u>"The value of an RDH in finding Restorative Treatment"</u> 2 CE. Elections, installation of officers. Pizza & Coke Registration begins 5:30, meeting 6-8:30 |
| <u>Tues Oct 9</u> | Library Center, South Campbell | Lieut TJ Rousset | <u>"The Drug Endangered Child"</u> 2 CE 6:00-8:00 |
| <u>Oct 12-14</u> | MDHA Annual Session | | Tan Tar A Resort, Lake of the Ozarks, Up to 12 CE <u>"Oral Health and Whole Body Wellness: Current Evidence & Future Directions"</u> <u>"You and Public Health," "The Tooth Be Known," "Managing Information So It Doesn't Manage Us"</u> <u>"Evidenced Based Solutions to Non-Surgical Periodontal Instrumentation"</u> Registration and information: www.mdha.org . <u>Late Fee if postmarked after Sept 15)</u> |
| <u>Tues Nov 13</u> | Library Center, South Campbell | Brooke Allen | <u>"Autism 101: Straight from the Mouth"</u> 3 CE 6-9pm |
| <u>Tues Jan 8</u> | Library Center, South Campbell | unscheduled | |
| <u>Wed Feb 13</u> | Jefferson City | Lobby Day | <u>"Dental Hygienists' Affecting Public Policy"</u> Breakfast and 3 CE - \$25. HyPAC meeting. 8:30-11:30 Registration: www.mdha.org |
| <u>*Tues Feb 19</u> | Library Center, South Campbell | Michelle Treat | <u>"Pharmacology Update"</u> 3 CE 6-9:00pm |
| <u>Tues March 11 and Tues *April 15</u> | Library Center, South Campbell | unscheduled, check website | |
| <u>Tues May 13</u> | Library Center, South Campbell | unscheduled, check website, Elections and installation of officers 2008-2009 | |