



M-OCDS News

MONMOUTH-OCEAN COUNTY DENTAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

A Component Society of The New Jersey Dental Association and
the American Dental Association

From the President

SEPTEMBER 2023

It is truly an honor and a privilege to serve as the President of M-OCDS for the 2023-2024 year. First and foremost, I would like to formally thank Dr. Matthew Sones for his exquisite leadership during his M-OCDS presidency last year. What an amazing year it was, and I am very much looking forward to continuing the prestige that has been established in our counties.



More than half of success comes from support and teamwork, I am extremely privileged to work with our Executive Board who have proven time and again how passionate they are about our society, community & profession.

This year the Executive Board has outlined a number of priorities to help continue our momentum & strengthen our organization. As always, our priority is to recruit new members to serve on the board of trustees and various duties. We have been so privileged in the past, and need to continue the outstanding leadership our organization needs & deserves. It is crucial for the continued growth and success of dentistry as a profession to continue organized dentistry.

We have an exciting upcoming year filled with events: kicking off our first event Wednesday, September 27 will be our member networking event at the Watermark in Asbury Park from 6 to 9 PM. Please join us for food and drinks as we celebrate the Monmouth-Ocean County Dental Society. Please RSVP and keep your eyes peeled for the link and information sent via email.

We have arranged for an outstanding CE program for our 2023-2024 general membership dinner meetings which will be held in Belmar, NJ at the Water View Pavilion. This is an opportunity for our colleagues to gather, meet new vendors, learn about new materials and obtain CE. Our first dinner meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 17, 2023 with a wonderful speaker Alex Keoskey. Our yearly calendar is being mailed with all the information regarding our local meetings and events.

"Success is not how high you have climbed, but how you make a positive difference to the world."

– Roy T. Bennett.

I am truly honored to serve as a president of Monmouth Ocean County Dental Society. And look forward to the year ahead. Thank you.

John Soliman, DMD, MD
M-OCDS President

Upcoming Events

JERSEY SHORE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

COMPOSITE BONDING: THE "ULTIMATE ESTHETICS" COURSE

Dr. Corky Willhite

JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune
and Live ZOOM

SAM ELBAUM DENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Friday September 22, 2023 – 9:00 am - 7 CEUs

CEMENTATION AND CERAMICS

Dr. David Hornbrook

dentallectureseries@rwjbh.org

TRUSTEES MEETING

Tuesday, October 10, 2023 – 7 PM ZOOM

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday – October 17, 2023

"ETHICS FOR DENTISTS 2023"

Alex Keoskey

WATERVIEW PAVILION, BELMAR

FREE FOR MOCDS MEMBERS & EARN 2 CE CREDITS!

JERSEY SHORE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

"10 MINUTES TO SAVE A LIFE: EMERGENCY MEDICINE IN DENTISTRY"

Dr. Stanley Malamed

JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune
and Live ZOOM

SAM ELBAUM DENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Wednesday, October 27, 2023 – 9:00 7 CEUs

THE CHRISTENSEN BOTTOM LINE 2023

Dr. David Hornbrook

dentallectureseries@rwjbh.org

TRUSTEES MEETING

Tuesday, November 7, 2023 – 7 PM ZOOM

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday – November 14, 2023

"IMPLANT FUNDAMENTALS"

Dr. Nicolas Elian

WATERVIEW PAVILION, BELMAR

JERSEY SHORE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

"TIPS AND TRICKS FOR THE EVERYDAY PRACTICING DENTIST"

Dr. Robert Margeas

JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune
and Live ZOOM

Society web site: www.M-OCDS.org



WHY JOIN THE NJ DENTAL POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE?

Benjamin Franklin said, “We must all hang together, or assuredly we shall all hang separately.” How appropriate when one talks about assuring the vitality of dentistry. Having served in a leadership role in dentistry for many years, I assure you there is strength in numbers, and power when there is unity among colleagues.

All too often, we become absorbed in our daily routine, and we often forget about those outside influences that have a tremendous effect on the way we treat our patients and how we manage our businesses. Legislators, regulators, insurance companies and countless others constantly barrage dentistry with overbearing rules and regulations that affect what we do and how we do it.

The most effective means of addressing these immense challenges is with a conversation. Conversations that educate non-dentists who need to understand us and the impact their actions can have on our businesses and the patients we treat. Dentistry has these conversations because of relationships that have been built through our political action – NJDPAC.

Strong relationships are critical to ensure we tell our own story and not be subjected to others who simply do not understand. Political action is paramount to building and strengthening these political relationships. It is the best pathway to meet and develop relationships with the state and local elected officials.

In 2021 less than 24 percent of NJDA members contributed to NJDPAC. As of today we are at 20% for 2022. That’s not adequate to face current and future challenges like corporate ownership, direct-to-consumer dentistry, mid-level providers, reduced reimbursement, third party interference, student debt, and needless overregulation. We need to do better, and we can!

Help us push our Disallowed bill to the finish line. Appreciate the work that went into having dentists declared essential health care providers during the pandemic. The Federal and State funding that so many dentists received saved many practices. Let’s not forget the work that has been done at the State and Federal level in holding off a dental benefit in Medicare.

Please join me today as a contributor to the NJ Dental Political Action Committee. NJDPAC does not support a political party. It supports our profession. Join me and take your seat at the table and be heard, otherwise you can be assured that our profession will be on the menu.

Mark A. Vitale, DMD
Chairperson, NJ Dental Political Action Committee

NJDPAC LEVELS

Student- \$5
Sustaining Member- \$150
Diamond Club- \$350
Platinum Club- \$500
Executive Club- \$1,000
Governor’s Circle- \$1,500
Chairman’s Table- \$2,000



CONTRIBUTE TODAY

M-OCDS TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 8, 2023

M-OCDS TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

August 8, 2023

Attendance:

Trustees:

Drs. John Soliman, Ariane Seto, Akriti Gupta, John Feeney, Jocelyn Jeffries-Bruno, Rob McTaggart, Natalie Nebblett, Stuart Albin, Thomas Sniscak, Rick Isaacson, Matt Safari, Sally Guerrasio, Matthew Sones & Dipika Shah

Non-Trustees:

- Dr. Renee Arace, NJDA President

The meeting was called to order by Dr. John Soliman at 7:08 PM.

The meeting was held via ZOOM video conferencing.

We do not have a Quorum

Approval of the minutes from last meeting: N/A

Installation of Officers by Dr. Renee Arace, NJDA President.

President's Report (Dr. Soliman):

I would first and foremost like to thank Dr. Matthew Sones for his exquisite leadership during his MOCDS presidency of 2022-2023. We had an outstanding year and I am very much looking forward to continuing to build on the continued momentum. The executive board is an amazing group of people who are extremely passionate about organized dentistry and the advancement of our profession. Excitement for this upcoming year is an understatement.

The executive board met and we agreed on a number of priorities for the upcoming year:

1. Membership Outreach with active recruitment for involvement within the society
2. Philanthropy: Giving back to the community/society/future members.
3. Organizing and executing a fantastic Presidents Gala for our members.

Our Trustees meetings will be virtual to engage as many members as possible without the concerns of availability.

We have already received approval for CEUs for our dinner meetings. I am thrilled to announce the slate of speakers for this year:

"Ethics for Dentists 2023"- Alex Keoskey
"Implant Fundamentals" Dr. Nicolas Elian
"Ortho/Perio in the Aligner Age" - Dr. Frank Celenza
"Connect the Dots: Harnessing the strength of digital technologies" Dr. Naren Rajan

Dr. Sniscak has arranged for another great networking event to kick off the 2023-2024 year which will again be held at The Watermark is Asbury Park on September 27, 2023. Make sure you register using the online link sent out this past week. Additional eBlasts will be sent with the registration link.

Our calendars are in the process of being printed and mailed

MOCDS Presidents Gala - We are currently exploring venues and dates to have a Great event to Honor Dr. Matthew Sones and his hard work over this past year as well as this year's president.

Vice President's Report (Dr. Nebblett):

Planning begins for Lectures and Events for M-OCDS 2024-25. Spring of 2024 there will be a President Dinner Dance honoring our President and immediate Past President. Spring of 2025 we anticipate having a Staff Appreciation Event.

Treasurer's Report (Dr. Seto):

I have received access to our TD Bank account. Accounts in good standing. I spoke with the accountant and they are requesting access to our monthly interest and dividend statements from Fidelity and Vanguard so that they can prepare accurate reports on our behalf, and to complete our tax return at the end of our fiscal year (August), as opposed to trying to calculate backward from the statements received at the end of the year.

Dr. Albin will assist Dr. Seto in giving appropriate reports.

Secretary's Report (Dr. Gupta):

I am excited for the upcoming year ahead to work alongside the E-board and the trustees. If there is any news or information anyone would like shared with the trustees or members (like in the Monday morning blasts), please let me know.

NJDA Trustee Report (Drs. Furlong/Jeffries-Bruno):

Dr. Furlong emailed reports from the NJDA semi-annual House of Delegates in June. It was well represented by MOCDS trustees. A BOT HOD spreadsheet was also emailed so officers can make appropriate arrangements to attend. Dr. Jeffries-Bruno will be the new NJDA Trustee

ADA Delegate (Dr. Shah):

Meeting scheduled for 8/12. Dr. Shah will send a report after the meeting

2023		
8/9/2023	BOT (Board Orientation)	9:30am NJDA HQ
8/9/2023	ADA Delegation Pre-Caucus Meeting	1:00 PM NJDA HQ
9/20/2023	BOT	9:30am NJDA HQ
11/8/2023	Semi-Annual HOD	TBD Hybrid
11/8/2023	BOT	Immediately following HOD NJDA HQ
2024		
1/17/2024	BOT	9:30am NJDA HQ
3/6/2024	BOT	9:30am NJDA HQ
4/24/2024	BOT	9:30am NJDA HQ
6/5/2024	HOD	TBD
6/5/2024	Board Reorganization Meeting	Immediately following HOD

COUNCILS:

Council on Annual Session (Dr. Andricsak/Dr. Dinowitz)

Follow up zoom meeting took place on June 5 after the annual session in April in LBI. It was agreed that the venue and CE format was favorable. It was also discussed that a one day conference with a dinner option will be considered for 2024. Dr. Dinowitz will be the new chair of the committee, and we thank Dr. Andricsak for all her service to the committee.

Council on Dental Benefits (Dr. Safari):

No report yet, next meeting in September.

Council on Governmental & Public Affair (Dr. LaFalce):

I attended the NJDA COGPA & NJDPAC meeting which was held at the Trenton Country Club on 6/21/23.

Also in attendance from MOCDS were Dr. Bob Hersh and Dr. Elisa Velasquez.

Jim Schulz summarized the 2023 Government Outlook. This year will have the single largest change in seats since the 1991 Republican flip. 25 out of our 120 seats will be changing. There will be a need to build relationships as there are many new legislators that do not know what we do and who we do it for. He feels the Democrats will continue to keep control.

State Legislative Update:

(a) Dentist / Hygienist Compact: allows portability of licensure among states in the compact. 7 states must enact the same law to the "T". Council is in support of this legislation

(b) Licensed Radiologist Technologist Requirement Change: Currently the LRT must be age 18 and a HS grad. Problem: some HS grads are not 18. The legislation would change the requirement to age 16 and enrolled in HS or equivalent. Council is in favor.

M-OCDS TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 8, 2023

(c) Joint Negotiations: The state (attorney general) would oversee a class /group of competitors who enjoin together to discuss fees, codes, non-covered services. There would be a specific term and petition, you must be part of the class and the state must approve it before discussions begin. This could be a vehicle to address fees. There will be a broader push next year.

(d) Licensure Best Practices: This would require the Division of Consumer Affairs and all 51 of their boards (not just Dentistry) to be more efficient in processing licenses. It would compel them to look at other states to find best practices and implement them.

(e) Delta Dental Legislation: would allow dental service corps to be a division of a larger corporation. NJDA is neutral on this legislation.

(f) Virtual Credit Card: a coalition bill; going to the assembly; this legislation calls for payer transparency on fees and allows provider choice in how you get paid by insurance companies. Checks are a choice. It may come with fees but the fee must be disclosed.

New Business:

Dr. Walter Chinoy reported on the proposed "Oral Hygiene Products Sales & Use Tax Elimination" bill. This is the 1st piece of legislation that Jeffrey Woods will be working on. He is the NJDA public affairs coordinator. He has been learning from, helping, and working with, Jim Schulz.

The legwork on this has been done. NJ is not the 1st state to do this. This type of legislation passed unanimously in Maryland and Florida. PA does it partially.

Grooming and general hygiene products would still be subject to tax. The distinction is being made between essential and non-essential. The bill states that dental hygiene products are essential and should be exempt from the tax.

There was also an NJDPAC portion to the meeting. I will defer to our NJDPAC representative to give that part of the report.

Council on Membership (Dr. Sniscak):

The Watermark event is on track for our 6th year of fall networking on Wednesday, September 27, 2023 from 6 to 9 p.m. Our first round of invitations yielded 17 registrants. Jim Schulz and Jeffrey Wood (NJDA's new Public Affairs Coordinator) have invited 18 state legislators. I will make special emails to new dentist groups and residency programs as we get closer.

Overall, we currently have 602 members, down from 607 this week in 2022.

Council on Peer Review (Drs. Friedman/Thai):

No pending peer review cases - 2 cases were resolved this summer. Dr. Thai is the new chair of the committee, but Dr. Friedman will still be an active member and we thank him for all his hard work.

COMMITTEES:

Committee on Communications (Dr. Friedman):

Next M-OCDS newsletter is September. All submissions are due by 8/15. Dr. Soliman has submitted the final Calendar for 2023-2024 to Omega Graphics for printing and mailing to our active membership.

Committee on Budget and Finance (Dr. Nebblett):

All accounts in good standing.

Committee on General Membership and Educational Programs (Drs. Seto/Gupta):

Dr. Seto has been in contact with Suzanne at the Waterview Pavilion and we have the meeting dates confirmed.

Committee on Sponsorship (Dr.Sones)

Thus far we have a number of confirmed sponsors for our 2023-2024 dinner meeting series:

Platinum Sponsors: Astute Dental Lab, Staff Driven Dental, Align Healthcare Realty, ZimVie

Gold Sponsors: Newark Dental Pemco

Bronze Sponsors: Bank of America, Align Technology

Committee on Special & Social Events (Dr. Gupta):

We are in the process of locking down a date & venue for the President's Gala 2024 to honor Dr. Sones & Dr. Soliman.

NJ Dental Lifeline Network (formerly Donated Dental Services) (Dr. Feeney):

The 600 volunteer dentists across NJ have exceeded \$28 million worth of donated care since inception! The 9500 patients who have completed treatment have inadequate income to afford dental care, do not qualify for federal or state assistance, and have limited or no access to care. They are medically fragile, elderly, or with a permanent disability. It should be mentioned that some are US Military Veterans who are denied VA service because their oral conditions are not combat wound related. Of special note, of the 600 volunteer providers, 100 are based in Monmouth (64) & Ocean (36) Counties. This makes up 16.7% of this magnanimous effort albeit MOCDS membership numbers are just 10% of NJDA. Additionally, 4 of the 17 NJDLN board members are MOCDS past presidents. They are: Dr. Elisa Velasquez, Dr. Matt Safari, Dr. Thomas Sniscak, and myself, Dr. John Feeney. This in my mind is a great source of pride and demonstrates the most noble character of MOCDS Selfless servitude leadership that is not just limited to membership but also to volunteer community service which focuses upon our disenfranchised fellow citizens who deserve the dignity of a healthy smile. If you already volunteer- thank you. If not, please consider doing so (especially in Ocean County) by calling executive director Ms. Shanda Bell for more information or an application at NJDLN in Edison, NJ 732-832-3056 or sbell@dentallifeline.org.

Monmouth Medical Mentor (Dr. McTaggart):

7 residents, looking to expand the program to 10 residents next year. 2 big lectures this year

Old Business: None

New Business:

Dr. Fred Paperth Dental Technology Fund at JSMC

- Dr. Sones has spoken to both Dr. Condello & Dr. McTaggart and advises donating to both programs. We are in good financial standing and have an opportunity to give back to the future of dentistry.

- Dr. McTaggart has access to many residents through the RWJBH system and gives us a unique opportunity to spread the importance of organized dentistry through CE, mentorship, and donation.

- Dr. Feeney is advising to create an honorarium for both MMC & JSMC, where one resident is chosen from each program to receive a monetary award as selected for exemplary ethical and professional conduct by the department director and/or residency coordinator. The suggested amount of \$600/year/resident with a 5 year commitment. The stipend is to be granted in the name of Dr. Robert Isaacson for MMC and Dr. Frederic Paperth for JSUMC, both of whom served the MOCDS membership at large and their respective medical center programs at the highest level. We can present this at the April meeting.

- Dr. Albin confirms that this will not affect the budget since it will be coming out of the investment fund.

AV Equipment

- There have been recommendations to replace some equipment that has been stored for the meetings. Whether we should rent or buy new equipment is in question.

Good and welfare:

May the best of the past be the worst of the Future.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Akriti Gupta, DMD

M-OCDS Secretary 2023-2024

I am speechless—no I am not!

Good afternoon everyone and welcome as we gather to celebrate the prestige of being alumni of the esteemed academic institution that is our alma mater - Columbia University College of Dental Medicine, where shared knowledge and collaborative learning creates cumulative wisdom.

Upon considering the past recipients, it is with gracious pride and sincere gratitude that I stand before you to humbly accept this magnanimous honor. Amidst this glorious reunion may I say we are all imperfect beings aspiring for unreachable perfection. It does not mean we cannot achieve excellence. This is why by your Columbia DDS I choose to salute all of you and make this moment not about me but about us as collegial alumnae and alumni. This exalted professional credential verifies a commitment every day of our lives to the noble struggle of best practice that is guided by the moral compass of ethical selfless service to not only heal but to advocate as leaders for the health, safety and wellbeing of our patients.

The New Jersey State Board of Dentistry of the Attorney General's office and the rule of law hold true that licensees must not only possess knowledge, skills, competence and technological abilities, but also traits of character to foster adherence to the ethical virtues with the benefit of the patient as the primary goal.

Within the scope of practice, it is established that there can be multiple alternative pathways to an acceptable therapeutic end result, albeit one must embrace nor deviate from that which is the standard of care engrained with ethical business doctrine.

The key word for this afternoon's search engine is ethical. Before Larry Page and Sergay Brin created the search engine Google in 1998, the Roman philosopher Cicero in 5 AD defined ethics as the science of morality. notwithstanding the concept originated with Hippocrates, the patriarch of the healing arts, who was born on the island of Cos in the Aegean Sea between Rhodes and Ephesus, he became a teacher yet went on to graduate from his father's medical school of Asclepius, he coined the term Iatrosodoc which evolved into the word doctor meaning not healer but teacher. They were to travel distances, treat and educate not unlike our CUCDM faculty.

Hippocrates was a maverick of his time. He proved that emotion was from the brain not the hear, he declared as important as it is to know the disease a patient has, it is most important to know the patient who has the disease. He introduced the systematic process of assessment to evaluate a patient. He rejected spells, incantations and the popular belief that sickness was a curse from the gods. Hippocrates evaluated a patient utilizing the four elements (earth, air, fire & water) and the four bodily humors (blood, phlegm, black or yellow bile), their reactions with regards to hot/cold, wet/dry, quality and quantity could be characterized so as to establish a diagnosis leading to a treatment with hopefully a cure.

As a teacher he was a prolific author. In 426 BC he created the corpus hippocrateum to guide doctors through a proper patient interaction of which there are five oaths to attest to:

- 1) non maleficence- do no harm
- 2) beneficence- promote good



- 3) autonomy- respect the patients ultimate welfare
- 4) juris - obey the law with no prejudice
- 5) veracity- truthfulness

These principles are the threads that are inextricably woven into the fabric of just being a good person no matter what your chosen field of endeavor. These concepts compete with each other as a priority when making crucial decisions. Yet they overlap each other in unity to form a touchstone for one's professional career.

With that being said- recognizing that Columbia University College of Dental Medicine stands for the highest standards of our profession, I ask you all to respond to the following questions with the affirmation YES!

Doctors do you hereby pledge yourselves:

- 1) to endeavor constantly so as to advance in knowledge by study and interchange of thought?
- 2) to regard scrupulously the interest of your colleagues and render willingly to help them?
- 3) to practice with honesty and integrity so as to place the wellbeing of your patients above all else?
- 4) Doctors do you attest in solemn affirmation of your dedication and honor by declaration to abide by the principles of ethics and code of professional conduct?
- 5) thereby will you faithfully support with strict regard the regulations and ideals of non-maleficence, beneficence, autonomy, justice and truthfulness?

thank you everyone- Dr Stohler and faculty, I don't know what the future holds but I do know who holds the future.

In closing, Mark Twain said it best: "The two most important days in a person's life are the day that they were born and the day they realized WHY!"

As we return to our respective communities and varied responsibilities, let us remember "why" and recall the corpus hippocrateum of 426 BC because it's never wrong to do the right thing by doing things right for the right reason at the right time with the right knowledge for those we serve, our patients.

zayt mir gezunt un shtark

Be safe, stay strong, keep healthy, radiate your kindness.

Thank you for this honor and the privilege of your time,
John Feeney, DDS

ENCORE
DENTAL PARTNERS



TAKE YOUR CAREER TO THE NEXT LEVEL

- Competitive compensation package including medical benefits and 401k
- Clinical autonomy
- Modern state-of-the-art multi-specialty practices
- Continuing education opportunities
- World class support services
- Partnership opportunities
- Access to network of 250+ dentists and specialists for collaborative patient care



APPLY TODAY



Top Quality, Great Pricing & Fast Turnarounds on Laminates & Implant Restorations!

We Also Specialize in:
Crowns & Bridges • All on Four • Dentures • Zirconia
Valplast • Attachments • Locators • Bruxzir

***Call us for our FREE lunch n learn series at your practice!
Ask about our FREE LED CURING light for your first case with us!***



ASTETO DENT LABS

Building Your Practice One Tooth At A Time!

2075 Millburn Avenue, Maplewood, New Jersey 07040

1-800-447-7750

For additional info, visit us at: www.asteto.com

NJDA President-Elect Dr. Elisa Velazquez and NJDA staff members attended the ADA's Annual Membership Conference last week in Chicago. The event was focused on the future and how emerging technology will shape the member experience in years to come.

ADA CONFERENCE WEEK- JULY 17-21, 2023



*Pictured L-R:
CEO Reva Brennan, President-Elect Elisa Velazquez,
Membership Outreach Manager Bill Cook,
Director of Operations & Business Development Maureen Barlow.*



Dr Maxine Feinberg installs NJDA President Dr Renee Arace



Drs Elisa Velazquez and Renee Arace



Cocktails and conversations panelists



NJDA Annual Session of the House of Delegates

Service to Patients and the Profession: John Feeney, DDS'75 Columbia College of Dental Medicine

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: At CDM Reunion Day 2023, John Feeney, DDS'75, was recognized with the Distinguished Alumni Award, which was only the most recent of the many honors and awards he has received over the course of his distinguished career. Now retired from almost 40 years as an oral maxillofacial surgeon, Dr. Feeney is a past president of the New Jersey Society of Oral Maxillofacial Surgeons, the New Jersey Dental Society of Anesthesiology, and the New Jersey Foundation of Dentistry for the Disabled.

It's clear, both because of his passion for service and because of the recognitions that his service has earned him, that Dr. Feeney believes health care providers have an obligation to "advocate for the health, safety and wellbeing of our patients." Accepting the award, Dr. Feeney drew a straight line from Hippocrates to the alumni of CDM. "Hippocrates was a maverick of his

time," Feeney said. "He declared that as important as it is to know the disease a patient has, it is more important to know the patient who has the disease."

CDM's Distinguished Alumni Award is only the latest of Feeney's long list of honors, which also includes the American Association of Oral Maxillofacial Surgeons National Humanitarian Award for Volunteerism and Community Service, the New Jersey Dental Association Presidential Award for Community Service, the New Jersey Dental Association Lifetime Achievement Award for Distinguished Service to the Profession and the Citizens of New Jersey, and the American Association of Oral Maxillofacial Surgeons Governmental Affairs Advocacy Award.

Feeney, who says that he is very proud of his Columbia degree — he calls it "an exalted professional credential" — quoted Mark Twain, who wrote that the two most important days of anyone's life are "the day you were born and the day you find out why." It's very clear that Dr. Feeney has figured out his "why," and has spent his long, successful career in the service of that purpose.

🦅 OBITUARIES 🦅

DR. JOHN W. KIRALY

passed away peacefully at home on December 30, 2022 at the age of 90. Born in Perth Amboy, he attended Rutgers University and received his DDS in 1965 at Seaton Hall College of Dentistry, as well as serving in the USAF. In 1962, John moved his family to Toms River where opened his dental practice and spent the remainder of his life. He was a member NJDA & M-OCDS for 61 years.

John was a member of St. Joseph's Church, Toms River Country Club and was Past Commodore at Toms River Yacht Club. John loved travel, skiing, fishing, hunting, boating and golf. After retirement, he and his wife, Jean, wintered in Punta Gorda, Florida, enjoying boating, golfing and drinking wine with their "Snowbird" friends. He was also a member of "The Romeo's" (retired old men eating out), where shared many laughs with cherished friends. John is survived by his wife of 52 years, Jean Kiraly and children: Mark Kiraly, Stacy Kiraly-Duran, Cristy Rayment, Kurt Kiraly, Mark Caswell, Matt Caswell and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



GEORGE EDWARD McCOMSEY, DDS



Lakewood - A beloved Toms River dentist for 45 years, known for his kindness, charity, and corny jokes, has died at 91.

Ed and Alicia McComsey moved to Toms River in 1957, where he was one of eight dentists. The Main Street practice grew quickly and relocated to what is now Riverfront Dental. Sailing enthusiasts, the couple joined the Toms River Yacht Club in 1958; Ed served as commodore in 1973.

Three other passions played major roles in his life: running, painting, and the nightly martini.

Ed was born in Camden, graduated Fair Lawn High School, attended Bucknell University, and graduated from dental school at the University of Pennsylvania in 1955. He practiced dentistry in the Navy for two years before opening his Toms River office. He was a member NJDA & M-OCDS for 68 years.

GUTENTAG DENTAL CONSULTING

Are you a dentist looking for employment with or without the option to be a partner?

Do you need a dentist as an employee?

Do you want to buy or sell a practice?

Do you have dental practice issues?

CONTACT

Dr. Herb Gutentag
(732) 233-5620

herbert.gutentag@gmail.com

www.GutentagDentalConsulting.com



Dental Assistant Shared Time

417 Middle Road, Hazlet 07730
Phone: 732-264-4995 x7109
Fax: 732-264-3846

Mrs. Theresa Lennon
tlennon@ctemc.org

<https://www.mcvsd.org/programs/shared-time-overview/dental-assistant/>

This unique two-year program is designed for HIGH SCHOOL students interested in pursuing careers in the dental science field. In our state of the art dental learning lab, students are introduced to the field of dentistry and will learn about the various careers of dental assisting, dental hygiene, dental laboratory technician, dental office management and dentistry. The students will gain a solid foundation of skills necessary to work in a dental office.

SEEKING INTERNSHIP SITES, JOB PLACEMENT OPPORTUNITIES, AND PROGRAM ADVISORS.

Please support the M-OCDS Sponsors & Newsletter Advertisers!

PLATINUM SPONSORS

ALIGN
HEALTHCARE
REAL ESTATE



ASTETO
DENT LABS



ZimVie

GOLD SPONSOR



BRONZE SPONSORS

BANK OF AMERICA

align

* invisalign | iTero

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISERS

AFTCO TRANSITION CONSULTANTS

ASTETO DENT LABS

COASTAL ORAL SURGERY

ENCORE DENTAL PARTNERS

GUTENTAG DENTAL CONSULTING

OMEGA GRAPHICS

NEW JERSEY DENTAL PAC

2023 Club Level Contributors from Monmouth-Ocean County Dental Society

PLATINUM CLUB (\$500.)

Robert Giantomas	Mitchel Friedman	Miriam Furlong
Matthew Sones	Elisa Velazquez	Rajeev Gupta

DIAMOND CLUB (\$350.)

Carmela LaFalce	Natalie Nebblett	Thomas Sniscak
-----------------	------------------	----------------

DONORS (\$150. - \$349.)

Stuart Albin	Bryan Gelfand	Yelena Ostrometskaya
Wayne Aldredge	Shari Ginsburg	Brian Paterson
Cathy Andricsak	Frank Giordano	Sandra Pinzon
Fabio Apolito	Stephen Glawson	Justin Ponquinette
Christopher Armento	Jay Gohel	Pankaj Puri
Ramin Bahram	Jason Goldberg	Suzanne Quigley
Kathy Banks	Robert Goodwin	John Rassias
Isabel Bastos	Tara Gostovich	Alexander Rockwell
Miryam Bookman	Lea Grand	James Rodriguez
Brian Bosonac	Gene Guerino	Victoria Roeder
Sarah Brevet	Michael Habib	Raymond Roncin
Victor Buccellato	Thomas Hada	George Rooney
Joseph Buzzanco	Kevin Hassell	Ronen Rotem
Katelyn Campbell	Robert Hersh	Warren Rubenstein
John Campi	Richard Isaacson	Joseph Rubulotta
Joseph Campi	Robert Kane	Allan Ruda
Claudine Carbone	Spiros Karas	Danielle Ruda
Pamela Casperino-Salvador	Shannon Keyes	Meera Sahni
Ileana Cavanagh	Benjamin Klayman	Anthony Sallustio
Chester Chianese	Brian Klohn	Victor Salvador
David Chodes	Robert Korwin	Andrew Samuel
Peter Ciampi	Ari Krug	Gordon Sangree
Julia Cintron	John Kukucka	George Sargiss
Allison Corapi	Marten Ladman	Michael Scagnelli
Patrick Cuzzo	Lisa Latella	Ariane Seto
Susan Curley	Henry Levine	Gaurav Shah
Robert Damurjian	Jonathan Levy	Irvin Sherman
Beth De Angelis	Alfonso Limone	Inna Silman
Edward DeFabio	John Little	Alex Silman
Joseph Di Fazio	Joseph Loverde	John Soliman
Anthony DiCesare	Frances Lovric	Alan Stern
Michael Dipietro	Stan Mahan	J Swain
Joseph Duddy	Todd Manela	Michael Todres
Brandon Elimanco	Leo Marcus	Gary Tozzi
David Elliott	Richard Marcus	Louann Van Liew
Thomas Evers	Christopher McCartin	Ernest Wang
Edward Faktor	Patrick McDermott	Martin Weinstock
Jay Felsenstein	Robert McTaggart	Daniel Winston
Shaina Felsenstein	Elizabeth Merkler	Brett Wohlstetter
Paul Ferguson	Stuart Meyer	Helene Zimmes
John Frattellone	Linda Molee	Scott Zirkin
Paul Galante	Timothy Moriarty	Ira Zohn
Mitchell Gardiner	William Moskowitz	Steven Zunger
Jared Gelband	Olumide Olawoye	

Printer & Designer: MOCDS Newsletter, Calendar & Annual Dinner Dance



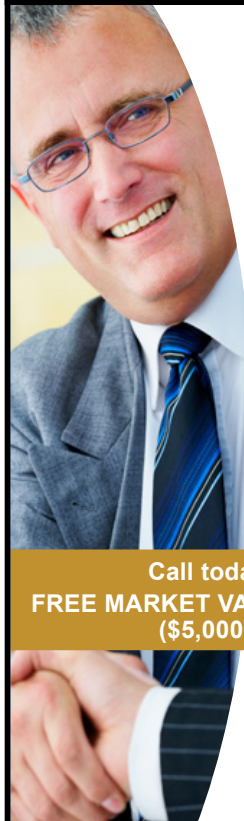
661 Broad Street, Suite 3 • Shrewsbury, NJ 07702
www.HeyOmega.com **732.530.4441**

Making You
Look Good
... in *Print*



Try our new
comprehensive
product / idea
search engine

OnDemandProducts.
espwebsite.com



AFTCO

TRANSITION CONSULTANTS
Since 1968

We are pleased to announce...

Keren Levine, D.M.D.
has acquired the practices of
Mitchell L. Weiner, D.D.S.
Kendall Park, New Jersey

Call today for a
FREE MARKET VALUE ANALYSIS
(\$5,000 value)

*We are pleased to have
assisted in this transition.*

800.232.3826 | www.AFTCO.net

Practice Sales & Purchases Over \$3.2 Billion

THE JERSEY SHORE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER
Forty-Eight Years of Excellence in Continuing Dental Education

THE MONMOUTH-OCEAN COUNTY DENTAL SOCIETY PRESENTS

COMPOSITE BONDING: THE "ULTIMATE ESTHETICS" COURSE

Presented by Dr. Corky Willhite

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

FROM 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune, NJ
and Live ZOOM**

REGISTRATION FORM:

Dr. Corky Willhite, September 20, 2023

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____ AGD# _____
for Zoom Invitation

TUITION:

Dentists: _____ @ \$185.00= _____ **Auxiliaries:** _____ @ \$ 95.00= _____ **Total Enclosed =** _____

Charge to Credit Card: _____ Visa _____ Mastercard _____ American Express

Account Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

Dentists - Please list the names and email addresses of auxiliaries attending LIVE ZOOM

**FAX this form and credit card information to (732) 869-5785 (Dr. Paul Condello)
or FOR FURTHER INFO CALL EILEEN BECKER AT 732-869-5734**

JERSEY SHORE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

Forty Eight Years of Excellence in Continuing Dental Education

2023 / 2024 CONTINUING DENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

<p>Wednesday, September 20, 2023 Dr. Corky Willhite COMPOSITE BONDING: THE "ULTIMATE ESTHETICS" COURSE JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune, NJ and Live ZOOM</p>	<p>Wednesday, February 21, 2024 Dr. Sam B. Low "INNOVATIVE PERIODONTICS: "HOW TO" FROM TECHNIQUES TO PRODUCTS" and "THE HOLISTIC APPROACH TO MANAGE TODAY'S PERIODONTAL PATIENT " JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune, NJ and Live ZOOM</p>
<p>Wednesday, October 18, 2023 Dr. Stanley Malamed, "10 MINUTES TO SAVE A LIFE: EMERGENCY MEDICINE IN DENTISTRY" JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune, NJ and Live ZOOM</p>	<p>FRIDAY, March 15, 2024 Dr. David Hornbrook "ADVANCED ESTHETIC REHABILITATION" JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune, NJ and Live ZOOM</p>
<p>Wednesday, November 15, 2023 Dr. Robert Margeas "TIPS AND TRICKS FOR THE EVERYDAY PRACTICING DENTIST" JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune, NJ and Live ZOOM</p>	<p>Wednesday, April 10, 2024 Dr. Gordon Christensen "THE CHRISTENSEN BOTTOM LINE 2024" JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune, NJ and Live ZOOM</p>
<p>Wednesday, December 6, 2023 Dr. Gary DeWood " THE 4 RIDDLES " Double Tree Hiton, Tinton Falls and Live ZOOM</p>	<p>Wednesday, May 8, 2024 Teresa Duncan, MS "DENTAL INSURANCE IN A DAY FOR THE TEAM" JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune, NJ and Live ZOOM</p>
<p>Wednesday, January 10, 2024 Dr. Ryan Cook "MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH TO COMPLEX RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY – MASTERING THE PERIO-RESTORATIVE INTERFACE" JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune, NJ and Live ZOOM</p>	<p><i>Register Today!</i></p>

NEW MEMBER SPECIAL REDUCED TUITION REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____ AGD# _____

for Zoom Invitation

Please Indicate Your Preference: **Live Courses _____ **Zoom Meetings _____

TUITION: _____ Enclosure \$1095.00 Check payable to J.S.M.C. DENTAL EDUCATION

****Special Reduced Tuition****

Charge to Credit Card: _____ Visa _____ Mastercard _____ American Express _____

Account Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

Dentists - Please list the names and email addresses of auxiliaries attending LIVE ZOOM

Please mail check or charge information with this form to:

**Paul J. Condello, D.M.D.
 Department of Dentistry
 Jersey Shore University Medical Center
 P.O. Box 667, Neptune, NJ 07754**

We know you are going to enjoy this year's program. Please mail completed form with your payment or payment information as soon as possible to take advantage of this special **NEW MEMBER TUITION**, and ensure your place in the program. Or you may email this form with credit card information to:

Eileen.Becker@hmhn.org

****Please indicate your attendance preference now. Thank you**

*Sponsored by the Sam Elbaum
Dental Education Program*



Dr. David Hornbrook
Cementation and Ceramics
Friday, September 22, 2023 – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm - 7 CEUs



Dr. Gordon Christensen
The Christensen Bottom Line 2023
(For the first time ever we vote on topics and he will discuss the top ten)
Wednesday, October 27, 2023 – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm - 7 CEUs

*Both Events will be offered in person at the Grand Marquis - Old Bridge, NJ
Registration and Continental Breakfast begins at 8:00 am
Program begins at 9:00 am*

SINGLE SESSION REGISTRATION

Tuition Dr. Hornbrook \$249
Tuition Dr. Christensen \$249
RWJBH Staff- \$169 (Dr. Hornbrook)
RWJBH Staff- \$169 (Dr. Christensen)
Virtual/Download Tuition - \$179 (Dr. Hornbrook)
Virtual/Download Tuition - \$179 (Dr. Christensen)

COMBINATION REGISTRATION

Dr. Hornbrook & Dr. Christensen Combo Special-\$429
RWJBH Staff Combo Special - \$299
Virtual/Download Tuition Combo Special - \$295
RWJBH/Jersey Shore Residents - FREE

Dr. Hornbrook Course Synopsis

Dentistry is changing faster today than anytime in modern history. The role of the monolithic restorations, Universal Adhesives, and digital, needs to be understood and implemented in every dental practice. As a practicing clinician and as the Director of Education and Technology at Utah Valley Dental Lab, Dr. David Hornbrook has a very unique perspective of these changes in what he has coined "living on both sides of the Bench". With a practice focused on metal-free, all-ceramic Aesthetic based dentistry, Dr. Hornbrook understands the importance of predictability, ease of use, and long term success when deciding which restorative material and cementation option will provide the best results. As the Director of Technology at a State-of-the-Art Dental Lab, his day to day interaction with ceramists and other clinicians provides him a thorough understanding of the problems both these groups face and how they are overcoming challenges and benefitting from CAD:CAM, Digital Wax-ups and Design, and high strength, aesthetic ceramic materials.

Dr. Christensen Course Synopsis

For the first time every you get to pick the top ten topics. Please select from the list below and Dr. Christensen will be happy to address our picks!! This fast moving "bottom line" course includes the areas of dentistry with the most activity and change in any given year. It is easily understood and has numerous summaries that help attendees to interpret the ongoing advancements in the profession. The course encourages audience participation, and questions and answers and is presented in an enjoyable and humorous manner. The hottest aspects in the following topics will be included in the planned program depending on the interests of our participants.

Thank you for your support of our program.

**If you have any questions please email dentallecseries@rwjbh.org
or Robert.McTaggart@rwjbh.org**

SAVE THE DATE!!!

EARLY BIRD PRICING STARTS SOON

We anticipate high demand for these two amazing speakers. Please respond to preregister

DentalLectureSeries@RWJBH.org

Gourmet lunch included

Virtual Option and Lecture Download

Available through Zoom

INTRODUCING OUR NEWEST

ORAL SURGEON

Dr. Alaina Harrington

NEW JERSEY LOCAL
RUTGERS SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE
CASE WESTERN RESERVE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Serving Morimouth & Ocean County



Convenience. Comfort. Exceptional Care

Michael DiPietro, DMD
Daniel Winston, DDS
John Soliman, DMD, MD
Alaina Harrington, DMD, MD



COASTAL ORAL SURGERY

Practicing Full Scope Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

Implants - Wisdom Teeth - Extractions

All-on-4 - Oral Pathology - 3D Technology - Facial Trauma

Coming Soon

Hands on CE Courses - Social Events

Sea Girt

732-974-0581

Brick

732-840-4600

Toms River

732-286-1199



WWW.COSNJ.COM

Follow Us



@CoastalOralSurgeryNJ

A photograph of a modern building with large glass windows and balconies, taken at dusk. The building is illuminated from within, and the sky is a mix of blue and orange. A large, semi-transparent watermark of the word "Watermark" is overlaid across the center of the image.

6th Annual

M-OCDS Member Networking Event

Wednesday - September 27, 2023

6-9 pm at the Watermark

800 Ocean Avenue, Second Floor

Asbury Park, NJ 07712

Admission is complimentary for all Members

RSVP: TJSniscak@gmail.com

<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?>

M-OCDS Newsletter SEPTEMBER 2023

*All material for publication must be received
by the editor no later than the 10th of the
month preceding publication.*

*The Monmouth-Ocean County Dental Society
is not responsible for the articles or views of
authors or contributions in these pages*

Monmouth-Ocean County Dental Society

Attn: Dr. Matthew Sones

Ocean Pediatric Dental Associates

368 Lakehurst Road, Suite 305

Toms River, NJ 08755-7341

www.M-OCDS.org

PRESIDENT: Dr. John Soliman – JSolimanDMD@gmail.com

VICE PRESIDENT: Dr. Natalie Nebblett – drneblett@gmail.com

TREASURER: Dr. Ariane Seto – arianesetodmd@gmail.com

RECORDING SECRETARY: Dr. Akriti Gupta – akritigupta7@gmail.com

EDITOR: Dr. Mitchel Friedman – editor@M-OCDS.org