

ACDS NEWS

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Presidents Message

Dr. Thomas Tucker

Happy New Year. This year holds a lot of promise for us as a people in the profession, having broken barriers with Dr. Ray Gist, the first Black ADA President. This is a positive and monumental step for all dentists.

In the spring ACDS will be holding elections and we are looking for your participation and support to insure that we can move the mission of this organization forward. If you are interested in holding an office and making decisions that better this organization please let us know right away. We welcome and encourage your involvement.

The scholarship applications are out and we are looking for a few good men and women to award. Help us by distributing the application. Dental students attending Southern California Dental Schools are eligible to apply. Additionally please make your contribution to the scholarship fund.

We are looking forward to our 2011 kick off meeting with the Dean of the USC School of Dentistry. Come prepared to receive school of dentistry updates as well as state of the art treatment recommendations based on original research findings.

We have Moved!

Our new post office box is now located in Los Angeles. Although our telephone number has remained the same. Please make a note for your records.

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ADCS Dues are Now Due and Payable

Dr. Avishai Sadan to Speak

Dean of the USC School of Dentistry

Tuesday, February 1, 2010 @ 6:30pm

With a conservative approach in mind, the restorative team should provide patients with minimally invasive, highly esthetic, and long-lasting solutions. These solutions should take into consideration patient needs and desires, available materials, and clinical approaches. Novel conservative restorative techniques combine a variety of treatment modalities to address a large range of clinical situations. This presentation provides a systematic and scientific approach for selecting esthetic treatment modalities that is based on original research data, with a special emphasis on techniques and new materials design and selection.

Course Objectives: To learn new techniques for improving performance of adhesives. To understand the potential possibilities in conservative applications of zirconia ceramics. To select post and core materials based on their adhesive performance.



About the Speaker

Dr. Avishai Sadan is Dean and the G. Donald and Marian James Montgomery Professor of Dentistry at the Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of the University of Southern California (USC) in Los Angeles, CA.

Dr. Sadan is the former editor-in-chief of *Quintessence International* and the former editor-in-chief of *Quintessence of Dental Technology* (QDT). He has served on the editorial boards of other journals, and has lectured and published nationally and internationally on biomaterials and esthetic and implant dentistry. Dr. Sadan is a graduate of Hebrew University Hadassah School of Dental Medicine in Jerusalem, Israel where he has also completed an internship in maxillofacial prosthodontics and oral medicine. He received his training in prosthodontics from the Louisiana State University (LSU) School of Dentistry and has also completed a fellowship in prosthodontics emphasizing esthetic and implant dentistry at LSU. A member of several professional organizations including the American College of Prosthodontists, the Academy of Osseointegration, the American College of Dentists, Omicron Kappa Upsilon National Dental Honor Society, Alpha Omega, and other organizations, Dr. Sadan maintains an intramural practice limited to fixed and implant prosthodontics.

ACDS Continuing Education

Four Points by Sheraton Hotel

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2/1 ACDS CE Dinner Meeting- Tues @ 6:30 pm
- 4/5 ACDS CE Dinner Meeting- Tues @ 6:30 pm
- 5/27-5/29 Memorial Day San Diego CE Retreat
- 10/4 ACDS CE Dinner Meeting- Tues @ 6:30 pm
- 12/4 Installation & Scholarship Luncheon

ACDS San Diego Memorial Day Weekend CE Retreat & Jazz Festival

May 27th -29th, 2011

Manchester Grand Hyatt Hotel & Resort

One Market Place
San Diego, CA 92101

ACDS Block Rate: \$159 –Standard Rm, Double and Single Occupancy
\$209.00 –Corner King \$234.00- Grand Club
For Reservations Call Direct: (888) 421-1442
Deadline: April 22, 2011

We will be returning to San Diego this year to enjoy the sights and sounds of the San Diego Jazz Festival while soaking in the latest information on Sleep Dentistry and Social Networking. In this economy sleep dentistry is an untapped profit center in your office. This course will provide the A-Z in treatment , ongoing care, billing and how to insure payment. This avenue allows for Medical insurance billing and this course will teach you the “whys and hows”. Make your reservation now with the hotel and register for the CE Retreat now.

5/27	6:30pm -8:30pm	Reception
5/28	7:30 am	Course Registration
5/28	8:30am to 1:00pm	CE Course 1
5/28	1:00pm to 10:00pm	Jazz Festival
5/29	8:00am to 1:00pm	CE Course 2
5/29	2:00pm to 5:00pm	CE Course 2 (Continued)

RSVP to AngelCityDentalSociety@gmail.com or (213) 718-2453

New CE Course RSVP Mechanism

To increase efficiency and prevent you from waiting in line at the door prior to the meetings, please RSVP by paying for your CE Dinner Meeting Fee via PayPal. To RSVP log onto PayPal, Click on the Home page tab, Click send money, select from the drop down menu –send money online, follow directions as given. **OR** click on the link in the email meeting reminder to pay for your CE Course. You must have the ACDS email address, your email address and your credit or debit card to pay online.

Traditional IRA and Roth IRA 2010 & 2011 Contributions

Contribution Limits

Traditional IRA

Year	Standard Contribution	With Catch –Up Contribution
2010	\$5,000	\$6,000
2011	\$5,000	\$6,000

Roth IRA

Year	Standard Contribution	With Catch –Up Contribution
2010	\$5,000	\$6,000
2011	\$5,000	\$6,000

98th NDA Annual Convention

July 22 -26, 2011

Baltimore Marriott Waterfront
700 Aliceanna Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

NDA Block Rate: \$189- \$199 –Standard Rm, \$239-\$249 –Concierge Rm,
For Reservations Call Direct: (410) 385-3000
For more information: www.NDAONLINE.org
Deadline: May 1, 2011

The Mid Level Provider Movement The Wholesale Sanctioning of Substandard Dental Care for Minorities & Vulnerable Populations Editorial

They said that it would improve access to care. They said that fewer people would go untreated. They said that this was a good thing. The nasty little secret is that the Mid Level Providers that will be providing the dental care will have only 2 years of post high school education. Just like the Mid Level Provider (DHAT) Program Model in Alaska. They will work under general supervision which means that a dentist can be miles away from the treatment location. They will diagnose, restore and extract teeth on the people with the most complex medical conditions... and they will do it without a dentist in the facility. The target practice location for Mid Level Providers is the underserved and rural communities. They will be the first line of defense and in many cases the only dental provider for miles around. Is this the brand of dentistry that you consider appropriate for patients? What type of confusion will this create for the unsophisticated patient? He or she may think that he is receiving comprehensive care like he usually receives from the “dentist” and may never discover that the Mid Level Provider has no authority to perform crowns or root canals. The appropriate care model will be at risk of compromise on a regular basis resulting in unnecessary extractions and dental fractures due to inappropriate care. The Mid Level Providers will be come the “cash cows” in the field. Corporate Dentistry, with its history of over utilization and inappropriate care will take advantage of this loop hole in order to maximize treatment by the Mid Lever Provider who will be paid at a lower rate than the dentists. What kind of care do you think your patients will receive? With no enforceable guidelines for practice location, the Mid Level Providers can locate in the neighborhoods that are already being serviced by “Real” Dentists.

Don't believe the hype. The Dental Profession is being sold a bill of goods that will compromise the quality of care for our patients. The AAPHD (American Academy of Public Health Dentists) is a major proponent of this movement and they have been looking at alternate accreditation models for the Demonstration Mid Level Provider Programs. The California State Board has been having meetings about how to utilize Mid Level Providers to replace Dentists who work for the Penal System. The cost savings to Government and Corporate entities has caused extensive salivation about monies to be made and monies to be saved. But the concern, that we will be creating a two tier health care system in which the Middle –Class and the rich receive appropriate, comprehensive dental care and the poor receive “any old” care is not only unfair but discriminatory, appears to have been swept under the rug. **To view the Mid Level Provider (DHAT) Curriculum currently in use in Alaska contact us at AngelCityDentalSociety@gmail.com. To review the various types of Mid Level Providers go to the Academy of General Dentistry Website. Look under Advocacy/ Current Issues / Access to Care White Paper.**

Have You Paid Your ACDS Dues?

Dues are now due. As the new year begins be sure to pay your dues so that you can be eligible for all of the member benefits. Ask about our reduced membership fee for recent graduates, new dentists and retired dentists.

ACDS Classified Ads

Our latest member benefit allows members to place classified ads in the newsletter for free! Ads to be 25 words or less and limited to one ad per member per issue. Contact us at AngelCityDentalSociety@gmail.com to place your ad.

Newsletter Publication

Our Newsletter is published semi-quarterly. (January, April and September). All important dates will be included as possible. For article submission or to offer contributions to the newsletter contact the Editor- Dr. Katrina Eaglen at AngelCityDentalSociety@gmail.com.