NEWSLETTER OF DECEMBER 2018



## PRESIDENT'S LETTER By Dr. Peter Pellegrini

"Thank you." "I appreciate you." These are meaningful words, and when expressed sincerely, they help strengthen relationships, both professionally and personally. Let's all make an effort to be a bit more overtly thankful on more than just a Thursday in November.

I'll start: A sincere thanks to the dentists who attended the WDS special meeting and everyone who voted by proxy. There were hundreds of dentists present and hundreds of delivered proxy ballots and your voices were heard. Preliminary results announced by WDS during the meeting indicate that the proposed bylaw amendments passed with 95% voting in favor. Official results will follow soon, pending certification and I will be sure to provide updates in the future.

I express gratitude for our county dental employees—your offices and my team included. More than ever, great team members are challenging to find. Thanks to those who attended our annual Gala/Staff Appreciation Dinner. We had a great showing and shared many laughs!

Don't forget DAD! (No, I am not talking about Father's Day)... Dental Action Day! Jan. 31, 2019. This is WSDA's largest legislative advocacy event, where dentists have the opportunity to visit Olympia to discuss issues relating to the legislative agenda with Washington's legislators. Mark your calendar now for DAD! Find details and register online at www.wsda.org.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next general meeting on Wed. February 20th. Holiday blessings to you all! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Warm regards,

Pete Pellegrini, DDS, MS

**ANNUAL GALA:** Many thanks to the 250+ members, staff, guests, and sponsors who attended and so generously supported our November Gala / Staff Appreciation Night & Foundation Fundraiser. See more photos on our website and Facebook & add your own!



SCDS President Dr. Pellegrini & Staff at Gala

#### Consider our Society's Foundation for Year-end Charitable Giving

Please keep the *Snohomish County Dental Foundation* in mind when you are making tax- deductible donations to organizations & charities near and dear to your heart. **100%** of your donation will support dental-related programs right here in Snohomish County. Find details about the projects we support on our website Foundation tab at **www.scdentists.org**. *Donations may be mailed to Snohomish County Dental Foundation*, 1214 Alpine View Drive, Mount Vernon, WA 98274-8722. A tax receipt will be sent.

## A Special Thank You To the **CORPORATE SPONSORS who supported our Gala:**

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# CPR PRO & FIRST AID COURSES Save the Date!

If you missed the last set of courses, the next offering will be on **Friday, April 26th**, 2019. CPR is 8:30-11:30AM, and First Aid is Noon—3PM. The rate is \$55 for one course or \$95 for both.

Anyone in your office who provides direct patient care needs the BLS, and there must be at least one person in your office at all times with valid First Aid training. Plus new hires need the training.

Look for the registration form in the January SCDS newsletter or print it from our website.

## **Volunteers Needed**

Toothapalooza — Fri. Feb. 15th

Interested in helping do mini-exams on the community free night at Imagine Children's Museum (ICM) in Everett? 5:30PM—8:30PM. Come for all or part of the time. This is our Society's 10th year partnering with ICM for Give Kids a Smile. Dentists & Assistants needed. Contact Judy at SCDS office to sign up.

## REMINDER: CE Rule Changes Start Jan 1

As of January 1, 2019, the continuing education (CE) reporting period for Washington state dentists will change from annually to every three years. Please note that this does not affect license renewal. You will still need to renew your dental license every year on or before your birth date.

For full details on this and other new regulatory requirements, visit the WSDA blog at  $\,$  www.wsda.org . Helpful links are provided for all recent updates.

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## Notice for SCDS Office Closure

The SCDS office will be closed Nov. 26—Dec. 6th.
All messages & emails will

be returned on Fri. Dec. 7th. Happy Holidays!

## CLASSIFIEDS

- ■Unhappy Patients: A Look at Dental Patient Complaints About their Dental Care. (Based on the author's experience handling dental insurance company complaints). Curtis F. Smith, DDS (Washington State Dental Association Member). Available from the author at: cfsdds2@comcast.net. \$9.95 Plus shipping.
- ■Seeking Associate Dentist Marysville: Dr. Cho is looking for a top notch GP to add to his bustling practice. Modern practice with CEREC, Lasers. Send CV to Tiffany Hart at hartti@pacden.com.
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## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Friday, Dec. 7th, 7:30—9:30AM, CE: 2. Tax Update presented by Moss Adams(see enclosed flye
☐ There are no SCDS General meetings in December or January
☐ Wed., February 20th, SCDS General Meeting. TOPIC: When Sinusitis Presents as Dental Pain: Overview & Advanced treatment options. Jeffrey R. Adams, MD—ENT/Everett Clinic
☐ Friday, March 1st, 2019 — Annual SCDS Seminar at the Lynnwood Convention Center. 7 Credits This course will also satisfy the 3 hours CE for new Opioid Requirement. See our website calendar for details or to print form. OR REGISTER ONLINE at the Sea-King County dental socie website: www.skcds.org/for-dentists/continuing-education or Call 206-448-6620.

All SCDS General Membership meetings are held at the Mill Creek Country Club starting at 6PM with a Meet & Greet, followed by dinner meeting and CE program, ending at 8:30PM. The dinner & programs are *always complimentary* for SCDS member dentists, and \$35 for guests.