



Snohomish County

DENTAL SOCIETY

REGISTER NOW

Don't miss our end of year Gala!

DATE:

Thurs. November 15th, 2018
Registration Deadline is 11/9

PLACE:

Lynnwood Convention Center

PROGRAM:

This is our Society's Annual Gala, Staff Appreciation & Foundation Fundraiser. Attend alone, bring a guest, or your entire staff!

ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Over 150 people are *already registered* so sign up right away to guarantee a spot.

Confirmations will be sent out by Fri. Nov. 2nd — If you think you're registered but don't receive one, please contact the SCDS to verify.

ENTERTAINMENT:

Jet City Improv will create a customized performance for our group based on audience suggestions & topics.

TIME:

5:30–6:30PM Social Hour
6:30PM Dinner, followed by Show, ending by 8:30PM.

COST: Complimentary for SCDS members and one guest; \$55 per person for others. (see enclosed form)

This event is also a fundraiser for our Society's Foundation — 100% of the proceeds from Seat Reservations and Raffle support dental-related programs that benefit Snohomish County residents.

SCDS Members can be proud that our small Foundation has made a difference by awarding \$255,000+in grants for local dental programs.

President's Letter

By Dr. Peter Pellegrini



DR. PETER PELLEGRINI

I love fall. Just not as much as summer. Call me a positive realist. However, I do love the pumpkin pie, pumpkin spice and the joy of pumpkin patches, and the resplendent colors of autumn foliage are truly "gourd-geous." Sorry, that was a bad *pun-kin*. Before I completely lose you, I want to "fall-back" into focus on my message this month and highlight two things in this newsletter:

- 1) Delta (WDS) special meeting Nov. 15th and "proxy-protocol."
- 2) Opioid rules and the Jan. 1st CE "deadline."

Let's go right to the Delta special meeting: **Thursday, November 15 at 3 PM at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Seattle Airport.** Interestingly, the date offered is inconveniently the same day as our SCDS Staff Appreciation Gala, some popular CE courses and a Seahawks Home game. How about that? All WDS member dentists are encouraged to attend. Presence is best, but if you can't attend, fill out your proxy ballot and the WSDA has recommended a vote "for" (in support) of proposed bylaw amendments. *Please do not mail your proxy ballot back to WDS/Delta directly.* You can even scan/photograph your signed ballot and email it as outlined by the WSDA, so there is no reason not to vote. **Please visit WSDA.org for more information**, but here is an abbreviated version: The WSDA recommends that you support these bylaw amendments to make Delta more patient-focused, transparent and responsive to its member dentists. This round of bylaw amendments would:

- allow for open nominations for members to run for the board;
- impose term limits on board service for member dentists at Delta;
- make the Delta CEO an ex-officio rather than full member of the board; and
- eliminate board veto powers over member-approved bylaw amendments.

The second item that has been a question in dental circles is the new opioid rules and the January 1 "deadline." As of the writing of this letter, nothing is set in stone. However, Opioid Prescription rules will potentially take effect on January 1, 2019. This involves CE and some practice changes. Dentists will need to complete a one-time 3 hour CE course regarding best practices in the prescribing of opioids and the new rules. In addition, there are new practices/protocols to become familiar with that include patient education and documentation.

Assuming the CE law change of Jan. 1, 2019, the proposed rule indicates the CE must be completed "by end of first reporting cycle." *That gives dentists 3 years (from their birthday license renewal date) to complete the one-time 3 hour CE requirement for opioid prescribing.* Example: My birthday is January 7: I will have until January 7, 2022 to complete my CE. The good news: Our SCDS Annual Seminar this spring (March 1st, 2019) featuring Karen Baker (Homecare, Herbals and the Opioid Crisis) will offer 3 hours towards this opioid CE requirement as part of the 7 total CE hours that the seminar provides.

Warm Regards,
Pete Pellegrini, DDS, MS

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**. BLS is 8:30-11:30AM, and First Aid is Noon-3PM.

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 and also on 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.

Contact Judy at SCDS office or GKAS chairman Dr. Daniel Seetin to sign up.

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. This is the charitable arm of our own Society. **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. Here's to better dental health in our county!

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Advance 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.

CLASSIFIEDS

■ **Needed: Semi-Retired dentist associate** with recent crown and bridge experience for periodic clinical needs. Office located near Sea-King/Snohomish County line. For details please call/message Dr. Saif Zakaria, 206-364-7680.

■ **SHIKOSHA DENTAL LAB** is a certified, full-service dental laboratory serving the greater Seattle and Portland areas. Visit us at www.shikosha.com for information about our products and services. 1-800-547-8539.

■ **Retiring dentist selling** a 1000 sq. ft. fully equipped 3 operatory practice in Lynnwood, WA. Very experienced manager - assistant to remain with new buyer if desired. Ideal for new dentist starting a practice with a minimal cost and the ability to build this practice by working more hours. Please contact dirk1@msn.com for details.

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■ **Need help with your high fear patients?** I have treated over 4000 patients with IV Sedation. I am local, flexible and can accommodate your schedule. You can also refer your patient if you choose not to treat them. Aubrey Carter Jr., DDS (425)501-9555.

■ **DENTAL PRACTICE SALES** — Buyers Representative C. Dirk Peterson, DDS, Dental Consultant. Will work with both buyers and sellers in practice transitions in North King, Snohomish, Island, Skagit and Whatcom counties. Contact: Dirk1@msn.com

■ **Dentist available for Temp work:** Dr. David Cheng is available for a temporary position on Thursdays. For details contact chengd1@gmail.com

■ **IDEAL practice start-up with minimal cost**— 2 of 3 operatories FULLY-equipped, 1000 SF, professional and medical center near Swedish Hospital-Edmonds. Dentist is transitioning. Contact: onondaga67@hotmail.com

■ **To advertise in the classifieds contact the SCDS office.** The rate for up to 30 words is only \$10 for SCDS Members, and \$15 for others. In 2018 the same classified ad will be included on our website at no additional charge.

REGISTRATION CHECKLIST — Are YOU registered?

- Thursday, Nov. 15th**— Annual Gala & Staff Appreciation Night, at Lynnwood Convention Center. Space is limited so REGISTER NOW if you haven't already done so.
- There are no SCDS General meetings in December or January
- Friday, March 1st, 2019** —Annual SCDS Seminar at the Lynnwood Convention Center. 7 Credits. Speaker: Karen Baker, BS, MS. Topic: Homecare, Herbals & Opioid Crisis. **Register by Oct. 31st, 2018, and SAVE \$\$\$ with Early-bird rates.** Take advantage of high quality CE close to home! This course will also satisfy the 3 hours CE for the new Opioid Requirement.

View our calendar or print registration forms at www.scdentists.org or contact the SCDS office.

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.