



# Snohomish County DENTAL SOCIETY



## PRESIDENT'S LETTER, Dr. Tyler Rumble

Spring is here, and it is a time for new growth and refresh after a long winter. Normally, you would be thinking I am talking about your flower garden. However, this time I am talking about *you!* Spring is a great time to think about your practice, your equipment, and your clinical education. Do you need to refresh that paint in your waiting room? Is it time to upgrade your x-ray head that is being held together by electrical tape (my practice...)? How about CE? Is it time to take that Ortho course? Implant course? Now is the time for you and your practice to spring out of the ground and blossom! If you need help on what next steps to take, come to our next in-person meeting April 15<sup>th</sup> and ask your colleagues what helped take them to the next level.

## FOUNDATION RELIES ON FAITHFUL DONORS

**SNOHOMISH COUNTY  
DENTAL FOUNDATION**  
Est. 1994

For those who might not be aware, the Snohomish County Dental Society has a Foundation. Our Foundation is 32 years old and supports oral health in Snohomish County. The Foundation has very minimal overhead expenses and relies on the financial support of members to carry out the mission. 2025 was a wonderful year!

Thanks to all the members who made contributions with their membership renewal, we raised \$5,310. That is an 60% increase over 2024. Additionally, the Foundation was the recipient of a generous \$2,500 gift from the Bernstein Philanthropic Impact Fund. We received this funding thanks to the work of Dr. Jason Bourne. Finally, the 2025 Gala was a fund-raising success and the Foundation received \$7,660. In 2025, the Foundation awarded over \$23,000 in grants to organizations that support access to care and oral health education in Snohomish County. Look on our website for details about the impactful organizations we support.

## Thank You to our Volunteers - Toothapalooza Another Big Success!

It was our 19th year of providing oral health education at Imagine Children's Museum in Everett. Thanks to: Dr. Daniel Seetin, Dr. Aimi Mizutani, Dr. Crystal Vo, Dr. DK Lim, Dr. Kela Ness, Dr. Norman Goodwin, Dr. Greg Adams and Dr. Jenn Chan. Also, Kelly Beebout, RDA, and all the dental assisting students from Sno-Isle Tech!

L to R: Drs. DK Lim, Aimi Mizutani, Daniel Seetin, Kela Ness and Crystal Vo; Dr. Norm Goodwin helps a little guest; Dr. Greg Adams and Kela Ness



# ORAL HISTORY: THE DENTAL ROOTS OF OUR SOCIETY

In the Fall newsletter we erroneously reported that Dr. Brittany Dean would be the first WSDA president from the Snohomish County Dental Society. It was brought to my attention that Dr. James Plihal was actually the first WSDA President, from SCDS, in 1982-83. I did some research and this quest for information led me down the dark tunnel of old Society minutes. I have to confess enjoying the deep dig into history! For those who may also be curious, I submit the following.



*The Monte Cristo Hotel in downtown Everett*

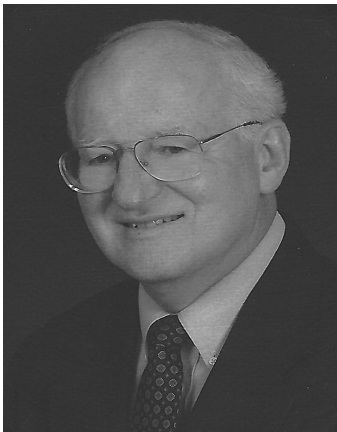
*Dental Society and would go to Seattle for their meetings. In 1951 they decided to form their own society and meetings were held in the Monte Cristo Hotel. Initially there were 38 members and 6 non-members. The meals at the meeting cost \$1.75. Assuming a start date of October 1951, we are entering into our 75th anniversary year!*

## State Leadership

Dr. James Plihal, a general dentist practicing in Kenmore, was an active leader at the local, state and national levels. In addition to serving as the President of SCDS and WSDA, he was a Delegate to the ADA House for several years. In 1993, he ran for a position as District 11 Trustee, losing to a dentist from the Seattle-King County Dental Society. In September 2026, Dr. Brittany Dean will be voted in as the 132nd President of the Washington State Dental Association. It's exciting to consider that an SCDS member will have that honor for the first time in 44 years!

## Topics Reflect the Times

Meeting presentation topics reflect the changing times, In January 1978 the meeting topic was on "in-house mini-computers as an accounting system, recall system and lettering writing system". In September 1978 the guest speaker was Dr. R.V. Tucker, of Ferndale, founder of the Gold Cast Study clubs. Senator Henry M. Jackson was the meeting speaker in May 1983. The meeting topic for September 1988 was "Oral Manifestations of AIDS". Other meeting speakers



*Dr. James Plihal, WSDA and SCDS Past-President*

included hydroplane racer Chip Hannauer in November 2001. In November 2002 the Society offered a special class on learning about the internet called, "Unraveling the Net". There were no meeting sponsors present, as that was not a normal part of member meetings until March 1999. The relationship with the Sno-Isle Tech school dates back to at least 1981 and has always been a strong one. In March 1981, Sno-Isle Tech recognized SCDS for the support they provided.

## Times Have Changed!

Society records are limited but we are able to glean a picture of what the organization looked like in the early days, nearly 80 years ago. The history of paying for meals goes as follows: The price of a meal was \$1.75 in the early 1950's. In February of 1986, the price went from \$9.60 to \$11.57. Dues were increased from \$15 to \$25 beginning in 1980. Dues increased to \$50 beginning in 1986. By 1994 there was another dues rate increase and, at that point, the cost of dinner was rolled into the dues. In 1988 State dues increased to \$345 per person, annually.

## SCDS - A TIMELINE

- 1951— Beginning of SCDS
- 1956—Received 501(c) 6 designation from IRS
- January 1980 - First Female Member - Dr. Linda Serto
- 1981— First Woman on the EC - Dr. Megan Flinn
- 1982—First WSDA President from SCDS—Dr. James Plihal
- 1988—First Staff person hired - Ms. Randi Bolling
- 1990—The Annual Seminar began (retired in 2025 after 35 years)
- 1994—Foundation created
- 1994—Classified Ads offered - and the price has never changed - 32 years!
- 1995—Tradition of having door prizes at meetings
- 1998—CPR/First Aid Classes Offered (retired in 2020 after 22 years)
- 1999—Fax Line added for staff
- 2006—First Female Society President - Dr. Kela Ness
- 2018—New Society logo adopted
- 2021—Judy Bangs retired 32 years as staff support
- 2024—Mission Statement created
- 2026—75th Anniversary!

# SPRING MEMBER MEETINGS

Always free to members, including dinner at our in-person meetings

## APRIL

WEDNESDAY, 4-15-2026

IN-PERSON, 6 - 9PM



**Oral Medicine Roundtable: Interesting Cases in Clinic Practice, with Dr. David Dean.** Our own member, Dr. David Dean, will draw from his lengthy experience as an Oral Surgeon and share unique and interesting cases. He will encourage discussion and questions in this informal presentation. Dr. Dean is the Oral Medicine graduate program director at the University of Washington SOD, and the clinical director of the Oral Medicine service at Seattle Cancer Care Alliance. A lifelong Husky, he completed his BS, DDS, and MSD in Oral Medicine at UW. He is a diplomat of the American Board of Oral Medicine, a fellow in the Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh, a fellow in the American College of Dentists, and a *Seattle Met* "Top Dentist" in the field of Oral Medicine. Academic honors include the Bruce R. Rothwell distinguished teaching award, and the UWSOD Dental Alumni Faculty award, among many others. He lives in Edmonds with his wife, Dr. Brittany Dean (a pediatric dentist) and his dog Hardy (a literal Husky). He enjoys collecting books and lifting heavy things. The meeting will be held at Shawn O'Donnell's in Everett. Social hour begins at 6PM and the meeting concludes by 9PM. Please RSVP no later than April 13. Learn more on our website at [www.scdentists.org/meetings-events](http://www.scdentists.org/meetings-events).

## MAY

WEDNESDAY, 5-20-2026

IN-PERSON, 6 - 9PM



### WSDA State of the State

We'll hear the State of the State with WSDA President Dr. Lisa Egbert. Dr. Egbert is a northwest native and a UW grad. She retired from private practice in 2016 and has been busy volunteering in organized dentistry ever since. Beside serving at WSDA President, she is also on the Finance Committee for the ADA. Dr. Egbert says "Our new membership model is one of the things that I am most proud of. At WSDA, we've made actual moves to decrease the cost for our members and still have a really high value." Dr. Lisa Buttaro, of Pierce County Dental Society, says "She's pushed me and other leaders to become better leaders. She is super smart, and asks the tough questions. When a boat needs rocking, she won't hesitate to give it a push." The practice of dentistry is undergoing rapid changes both locally and nationally. Come hear what organized dentistry is doing to combat negative influences while supporting dentists in our state. Dr. Egbert is a committed leader who will share her thoughts on where we are going. Learn about the legislative successes in 2026 and what's ahead for 2027. Additionally, we will be honoring our Society out-going volunteer leaders and welcoming our newest elected leadership. The meeting will be held at Shawn O'Donnell's banquet room in Everett. Social hour begins at 6PM and the meeting concludes by 9PM. Register online on the SCDS website at [www.scdentists.org/meetings-events](http://www.scdentists.org/meetings-events).

### PNDC 2026:

### COME FOR THE LEARNING & STAY FOR THE FUN!

Have you registered for PNDC yet?



The annual convention is May 28 - 30. This year, like last year, it will be held at the new addition to the convention center in downtown Seattle. This

beautiful, sun-filled space is a great location for PNDC. It's very accessible from the freeway. As usual, there is CE for the whole team, along with a huge vendor fair and lots of social activities. Make a weekend of it and check out the Mariner's game! Also, check out the reduced price hotels, special entertainment, inspiring continuing education and much more

WSDA Life Members, you attend for free (2026 member dentists who have



reached Life Member status with the ADA.) Enjoy trying new products in the exhibit hall during the Sip & Shop Happy Hour. Catch up with friends and colleagues from all over the state. It's a dental party and you don't want to miss it!

The Early Bird pricing is in effect until April 10, so plan ahead and save some money. Register online on the WSDA website at [www.wsda.org/pndc](http://www.wsda.org/pndc)



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# CHEERS TO NEW DENTAL GRADS!

**C'mon, get happy!**  
**UW SOD HAPPY HOUR**



**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8**  
PORTAGE BAY ROOM AT SOUTH CAMPUS CENTER

5:00 - 6:30PM

Drinks and small bites! Raffle prizes!

Meet Dentists from King & Snohomish Counties  
and learn more about working in the area.

RSVP with the code here →

Dental Alumni Association | Snohomish County Dental Society | SKC Seattle King County Dental Society | ADA American Dental Association

On Wednesday, April 8, SCDS will partner with the Seattle-King County Dental Society and the UW Dental Alumni Association, to welcome new dentists. Join us for drinks and small bites at the Portage Bay Room at South Campus Center (near the dental school) from 5:00 - 6:30PM. UW Alumni are encourage to attend and all SCDS members are welcome. SCDS received support from the ADA, Bank of America and WDIA, to welcome new grads and tell them about all that membership can offer. We will be celebrating D4

students, along with dental residents and graduate students who are on the cusp of entering the workplace. Meet prospective associates, share your dental journey experiences, and encourage future colleagues as they start on their path to career success. You can RSVP with the QR code here, or on our website at: <https://www.scdentists.org/meetings-events/calendar-of-events/uw-sod-happy-hour>, or just call Sandra at 360-419-7444! Membership growth starts with new grads. Let's share what has made SCDS so special for the past 75 years.

## DENTAL ROOTS OF OUR SOCIETY, *con.*

Retired Life Member Dr. Pat Brust, tells us his father Dr. William Brust, Sr. was poised to be the first WSDA President from SCDS. However, he declined to run for that elected position to become one of the first Trustees of WDS, what is now Delta Dental. Dr. William Brust served at the SCDS President in 1952-53. Society minutes from the early years tell us the meetings began around 8PM. Most, if not all, of the attendees were men. The minutes indicate that meetings would last as late as 10:30PM. One meeting in January of 1980 did not adjourn until 11:00PM. These days, that might seem hard to imagine for members who are seeing patients at 7AM in the morning! Meeting minutes from 1978 tell us that there were 75 members invited and 45 in attendance. In April 1982, total membership hit 200. The Society moved from meeting at the Everett Golf & Country Club to the Mill Creek Country Club in May 1989. Judy Bangs was hired in September 1989, replacing Randi Bolling who served as Executive Director for about 18 months. By 1991, there was a significant increase in membership, possibly due to more growth in Snohomish County, as well as the active involvement of ED, Judy Bangs.



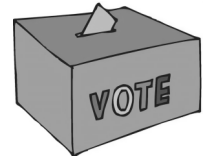
Past Society Presidents -1998

The community of Mill Creek was incorporated in 1978 and heavily developed in the 1990's. This resulted in population growth in the county. In February 1997, the membership voted to continue meeting at the Mill Creek County Club rather than a location closer to Everett. Between 2009 and 2018 meeting attendance averaged 75 - 80 people. Today, we average about 365 - 370 total members, and we still have 50-70 attendees at every member meeting.

I welcome any corrections or additions! Much of an organization's history is built upon member's recollections. As we enter a new era of increased involvement at the state and national levels, let's not lose site of our long and rich history. **Happy 75th Anniversary to the Snohomish County Dental Society!**

## SOCIETY ELECTIONS ARE COMING!

Remember to vote with the electronic link that you will receive via email.



### YOUR SCDS OFFICERS:

**President:**

Dr. Tyler Rumble

**President-Elect:**

Dr. Ivy Lin

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