

Baltimore County Dental Association

NEWSLETTER

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March Dinner Meeting to feature A Panel Discussion *including Audience Questions* with Members of The Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners



Ever wished you could ask the Dental Board a question or request they clarify a regulation? BCDA's March Dinner Meeting is your perfect opportunity to stop wishing and start asking!

Leslie E. Grant, D.D.S., Arthur C. Jee, D.M.D., Grant Gerber, Board Counsel and Sharon Welsh, D.D.S., Chief Dental Officer, from the Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners will be our guest speaker panel at the BCDA Tuesday, March 24, 2020 Dinner Meeting. The lecture portion of the evening will begin with "Getting to Know Your Dental Board: Essentials for

Practitioners and Staff" in a panel discussion format. Audience participation (that's you and your staff) is encouraged. Start writing your list of questions today! This is the perfect opportunity for your entire office to get some clarity on a whole host of dental regulations from - *which dental staff is permitted to perform what duty with and without supervision to what are the most common violations and how do I avoid them* - If it's within the Board's purview, it's up for discussion! BUT, if you don't attend, you can't ask. So register today! And remember that *you* are responsible for your staff's activities, so don't keep them in the dark. Register them too!

This dinner and discussion will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton, 1726 Reisterstown Road in Pikesville. It is open to all dental professionals at the BCDA member price of \$55.00 per person, but registration is required. Check in, networking and cocktails begin at 6:00 p.m. The buffet dinner will be available at 6:30 p.m. Return the enclosed reservation form with your payment, call the BCDA office at 410-560-0064, fax your reservation to 410-252-7289 or sign up online at baltimorecountydental.org. Invite your colleagues from other components and non-members to attend at member price. Registration for this event closes at **NOON** on **Tuesday, March 17, 2020**.

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Single dentist or group dental office for rent: Up to 5 operatories (older equipment), all plumbed for existing central oxygen and nitrous oxide. Waiting room, business office, two bathrooms, lab plus storage area and x-ray room. Handicap access. \$1,287 per month rent with use of existing equipment. Great location at 8424 Old Harford Road in Parkville. Convenient to I-695, I-95, White Marsh and Towson. Please call 410-692-2217.

Remember to visit our Facebook page! Dr. Margaret Barry has been working hard to keep everyone up to date about BCDA meetings, speakers and locations, as well as your fellow BCDA member activities in the dental community.



The President's Message

Dear Members,

It still amazes me that in 2020 we depend on a groundhog to predict the weather, but I do like this year's prediction of an early spring.

Our February lecture by Dr. Reff on "Management of Dental Trauma" was both very informative and interesting.

Our March 24th dinner meeting/lecture will include a panel discussion with members of the Dental Board, including the Board Counsel. They are excited about this opportunity to meet with us in this setting and will be ready to answer all the questions you might have. If you're reluctant to ask them directly, be sure to pick up some index cards when you check-in. You can submit your questions on cards to me prior to the start of the lecture and remain anonymous. Get answers to all your dental regulatory questions on March 24th, whether you submit them on index cards or ask them directly.

I recently received the bill for my child's wellness check. The exam, shots and treatments totaled \$357.00. The insurance reduced the pediatrician's bill to \$125.00. That's a 65% write off. There are 1,341,682 physicians/medical students/residents/fellows in the U.S. today and only 250,253 are AMA members. Insurance and government policy has decimated the physician's way of life and the quality of care for patients. Divided, we follow the same path that physicians took 20 years ago. I encourage you to get more involved with organized dentistry. Ask a fellow dentist whether they're an ADA member and, if they're not, encourage them to join.

Hope to see you, your staff and all your questions on March 24th!

Mike Rostami

President



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Why *you* should join the BCDA Executive Board or hold an office:

10. Set a good example for your kids.
9. Make new friends.
8. Impress staff and colleagues.
7. Add a credible line or two to your resumé.
6. Impress your friends and neighbors.
5. Your spouse can brag about your selflessness to your in-laws.
4. Schedule your least favorite houseguests around your meetings.
3. Have a plausible excuse to get out of the house and office.
2. Make yourself feel good.

...and

1. **No one has to know that your commitment is less than 25 hours per year!!!**



**ADA Dentist and
Student Lobby Day**

The ADA's Dentist and Student Lobby Day will be held April 26-28, 2020 at the Washington Hilton in Washington DC. Like Dentist Day in Annapolis, join your colleagues in the Nation's Capital to let your voice be heard on the dental issues that impact you on the Federal level. Last year, over 1,100 dentists and dental students from around the country participated. If you haven't attended, it is an awesome event

with various programs and speakers on the political climate in DC, legislative updates and other legislatively focused programs. Then, on Tuesday, we head to The Hill to meet with our US Senators and Representatives to share with them our positions on the dental bills before Congress.

ADA Lobby Day is free to attend and discounted hotel rooms are available at the Washington Hilton or you can commute or make your own lodging arrangements. Additional information and registration is available at www.ada.org/lobbyday.