

Baltimore County Dental Association

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome Back!

Since the last BCDA Newsletter published in early March, we've experienced a pandemic-related shut down, Gold's Gym, Neiman Marcus, JC Penney and Hertz (just to name a few) file for bankruptcy, protests erupt across the country, hurricanes named into the Greek alphabet, the death of a Supreme Court Justice, 207,000+ coronavirus-related deaths, devastating West Coast wildfires and more.

The encouraging news is that during that same time, dental practices have successfully instituted the safety measures necessary to minimize the risk of COVID-19 exposure to both dental professionals and patients. In fact, nearly every business has had to make safety accommodations to remain open or reopen. DoubleTree by Hilton in Pikesville is no exception. During the seven months since our last BCDA dinner meeting, DoubleTree has been busy putting in place the CDC-recommended measures that minimize coronavirus exposure during group events, including pre- and post-cleaning of event fixtures, furnishings and spaces, increased room size, between table separation and three or less per table seating to accommodate social distancing, numerous hand sanitizing stations, one-way traffic flow, seated and served covered meals, touchless beverage dispensers and so much more. In light of these safety measures, the BCDA Executive Board has decided to proceed with our Tuesday, October 27, 2020 in-person dinner meeting and Sanju Jose, DDS, MDS has graciously agreed to present "Digital Workflow in Implant Dentistry" as our first in-person lecture in seven months!



THE SPEAKER: After graduating from Parkville High School, Dr. Sanju Jose attended University of Maryland Baltimore County, majoring in Biology. He obtained his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from University of Maryland School of Dentistry and completed a general practice residency at Kings County Hospital in Brooklyn, New York, where he was exposed to a variety of patient cases in the background of a Level 1 Trauma Center. He completed his post-graduate training in periodontics and dental implants at the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine and dedicated part of his time to research on various bone grafting materials to help regeneration. He has since become well-versed in computer-guided surgery, immediate implant placement with immediate temporaries, Chao Pinhole Technique, minimally invasive bone grafting techniques, and socket shield/partial extraction therapies.

THE TOPIC: "Digital Workflow in Implant Dentistry"

- Review use of conventional surgical guides and their pros and cons.
- Discuss digital workflow as it relates to implant dentistry.
- Discuss team-approach in diagnosing, treatment planning and executing cases utilizing a digital workflow.
- Discuss guided surgery and dynamic navigated surgery and their pros and cons.
- Discuss custom healing abutments, immediate provisionals, conventional immediate loading and immediate loading utilizing a stacked guide system for full-arch treatment.

This is our first meeting since... it seems like forever! Dust off your non-virtual go-to-meeting attire. Yes, masks (and pants) are required! Take full advantage of this opportunity to "catch up" with your colleagues, while earning two hours of CE credit. Check-in, cocktails and social distanced networking will begin at 6:00 p.m. A seated, covered, double-entree dinner (Char-Broiled Herbed Salmon and London Broil with Cabernet Demi-Glace) will be served promptly at 6:30 p.m. Return the enclosed reservation form with your check, call the BCDA office at (410) 560-0064, fax your registration form to (410) 252-7289 or register online at www.baltimorecountydental.org by **NOON on Tuesday, October 20, 2020.**

The President's Message

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It has been a wild ride over the last few months for our profession, but it seems like our industry is making a comeback better than many other businesses. Even more than that, we served the community as a medical professional and our members prevented many ER visits. With all of the unknown for the fall and winter ahead, it is important to encourage every dentist that you know to join the ADA, MSDA and their local component. The ADA has been a strong advocate for dentists and some of the relief bills that have passed. Unfortunately, most insurance companies have failed to step up to their obligation. Let us not forget that we are not slaves to insurance companies and dropping them is always an option.



I encourage everyone to update your Infection Control Manuals and to review them with staff. If we will be dealing with this virus for another year, it's imperative to maintain bulletproof infection control.

We have taken a pause from our in-person dinner meetings for the last few months, but the time has come to come together for a great lecture by Dr. Sanju Jose. DoubleTree by Hilton in Pikesville has assured us that, in addition to adequate spacing at the tables, a multitude of other measures have been taken to maximize our safety. I'm sure we all have many stories to share with friends. I'm looking forward to hearing some at the October 27th meeting!

Mike Rostami
President

BCDA's November 24, 2020 Lecture - "3D Printing in Your Practice" is Going Virtual!

BCDA is excited to be hosting our first Zoom lecture with Usa Bunnag, DDS, FACD, FICD speaking on "3D Printing in Your Practice." Registration for this Tuesday, November 24, 2020 lecture will be available at the BCDA website by mid-October. All dentists and staff are welcome to attend for \$25 per person. The meeting ID and password will be sent to the email address you provide during the registration process. On November 24th, registrants can log in at 6:30 p.m. for social networking. Dr. Bunnag's lecture will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. Registration will be available online only. Certificates for two hours of CE credit will be emailed to registrants once their meeting log-in and online time has been verified.

Godfather * Terminator * Die Hard

There have always been the kinds of stories that seem to demand a sequel. The impact of this spring's events on BCDA's nomination and election of new leadership turned out to be one of those stories! In the midst of a Public Health State of Emergency and resulting restrictions on travel, work and gathering size, the majority of BCDA's 2019-2020 Officers agreed to remain in place for a second term and the Executive Board members for the fourth year of their three-year term. No one could have predicted the sequence of events that has defined 2020, but BCDA is fortunate to have a leadership that can adapt to quickly-changing circumstances and step up to the plate when it matters most. Below are BCDA's 2020-21 Officers and Executive Board. Please thank them for their roles in "Part 2" when you see them!

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