

Baltimore County Dental Association

NEWSLETTER

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March Dinner Meeting to Feature Margaret E. Barry, D.D.S. on "Silver Diamine Fluoride - A Silver Bullet?"



The Baltimore County Dental Association March Dinner Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2017 The Radisson Hotel North Baltimore, 2004 Greenspring Drive in Timonium. Our guest lecturer will be BCDA's own Doctor Margaret Barry speaking on "Silver Diamine Fluoride - A Silver Bullet?"

Margaret Barry, a native of Baltimore County, is a graduate of the University of Maryland. After receiving her DDS degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Dentistry in Cleveland, she completed a general practice residency at the University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore. Dr. Barry received her certification in Pediatric Dentistry from Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital in Cleveland in 2005 and became a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry in September of 2006. She is an active member of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, Maryland Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and is a BCDA Executive Board member. She lives in Howard County with her husband Bram and three young children.

In August 2014 Silver Diamine Fluoride was approved by the FDA as a treatment for dentinal hypersensitivity for adults over the age of 21. Since then, it has quickly gained nationwide attention for its off-label use for the treatment of carious lesions in both children and adults - with some patient families traveling several hours out-of-state to find a dental provider that uses the product. Learn what Silver Diamine Fluoride is, the indications for use and side effects, as well as possible future 3rd party payer implications.

The officers of the Maryland State Dental Association will be our guests to present a state-wide update.

Cocktails will be available at 6:00 p.m. A buffet dinner will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. Return the enclosed reservation form with your payment, call the BCDA office at (410) 560-0064 or fax your reservation to (410) 252-7289 by **NOON** on **Tuesday, March 21, 2017**.

Mark Your Calendars for BCDA's OSHA Update for the Dental Office on November 28, 2017

Further information and discount pricing for early registration will be available in the BCDA April 2017 Newsletter.



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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Friends, family and patients are always mentioning to me how busy they think I am. With a husband, two children and the task of owning and managing a busy full time dental practice, people comment that they think I have more than 24 hours in my day. While I was preparing this newsletter, I came across a quote from Simon Sinek that I think sums it up for myself as well as hopefully many of my dental colleagues. "Working hard for something we don't care about is called stress. Working hard for something we love is called passion." For me, dentistry fuels my passion and I enjoy acting not only as President of Baltimore County Dental Association, but also as General Arrangements Chair.



Our speaker for March is also very passionate about our profession. Dr. Margaret Barry, a pediatric dentist in Owings Mills and a member of our Executive Board, will be speaking to us about Silver Diamine Fluoride's implications, use and side effects. Please plan to attend on Tuesday, March 28 at 6:00 pm to hear about this new treatment for carious lesions in adults and children.

Approximately 60 dentists showed support for our profession in Annapolis in February. As most of you know from Dr. Ed Morris's email, a important bills that could have a negative impact on the oral health of our state have been introduced; the idea of training and allowing Dental Therapists to treat the under-served community and the authorization of non-dental management, operation and ownership of dental practices. MSDA is not in favor of either of these bills. Hearings for both bills are scheduled for March. Please contact Peter Holmes at peter@msda.com for more information, especially if you plan to testify at the hearings. By coincidence, I just found out that Aspen Dental is opening a new location this month in Owings Mills. It will be on Reisterstown Road in front of the new Wegman's. The reality of corporate dentistry is in our own back yard.

I am always seeking great speakers for our monthly meetings. If you have suggestions of speakers you have heard recently, please email me. In addition, if anyone is interested in getting involved by becoming a Board Member of BCDA, contact me or Nominating Committee chair, Mark Horner. We would love to involve additional BCDA members in the important task of running our component. Enjoy the great weather we have been having this year and I will see you in a few weeks.

Joanne Block Rief 
President

BCDA'S TOP TEN

Why *you* should join a BCDA committee or hold an office:

10. Set a good example for your kids.
9. Meet new colleagues.
8. Impress staff and colleagues.
7. Add a credible line or two to your resume.
6. Impress your friends and neighbors.
5. Your spouse can brag about your selflessness to your in-laws.
4. Schedule your least favorite houseguests to coincide with 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 only about 2 hours per month!!!**



The Nominating Committee has begun a candidate search for the BCDA election in May, 2017. Interested members should contact Past President Horner or President Rief .