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# A Letter from DC Dental Society President Julian Moiseiwitsch, B.D.S., Ph.D.



Dr. Julian Moiseiwitsch

#### Dear Colleagues:

I'm happy to announce that 2015 is looking to be a banner year for Society membership growth. Through June 30<sup>th</sup>, total DCDS membership is up nearly 22 percent compared to 2014 which translates to 55 new DCDS members to date this year. Additionally, 49% of active licensed dentists in the District are now Society members, a nine percent increase compared to 2014. This success was not by accident, but a direct result of the hard work that the DCDS Membership Committee and New Dentist Subcommittee members have put into actively engaging and recruiting both dental students and dentists in the District. My personal thanks go out to Membership Committee Chair Dr. Chris Loukaitis and the members of these two volunteer groups – Drs. Paula Russo, Jonelle Grant, Donna Grant Mills, Maya Oliver, Farah Assadipour, Jonelle Grant, James Ryan, Taryn Weil, and Selen Tolu. I encourage each of you to follow the lead of these members, reach out to your non-member colleagues and share with

them what you have gained professionally and personally by belonging to DCDS. I also encourage you to invite them to attend one of our monthly meetings, happy hour events and the September charity golf tournament or introduce them to other DCDS members. Let us all continue to work together to build awareness of the numerous benefits and great work that our Society does and to grow our ranks.

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## A Letter from DC Dental Society President

As a reminder, this year's <u>DC Dental Society Charity Golf Tournament</u> will be held Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at the Bretton Woods Golf Course in Germantown, Maryland. Come out and enjoy a fun-filled day with friends and colleagues on the links. There will be drinks, food, and golf goodies for all participants! Registration for the event is available via the web at <a href="http://www.dcdental.org/golf-tournament">http://www.dcdental.org/golf-tournament</a>. Also, sponsorship opportunities are still available.

The ADA is still seeking members to volunteer at the ADA Annual Meeting in Washington DC this November. The success of the ADA Annual Meeting in part depends on the dedication of local volunteers. I urge you to consider committing a few hours during the meeting to volunteer. To learn more about the benefits of volunteering, the volunteering positions available and to sign-up, please visit the <a href="DCDS">DCDS</a> website or contact Jennifer Bell, DCDS Operations Manager, at <a href="jbell@dcdental.org">jbell@dcdental.org</a> or (202) 367-2483.

If you will be attending or volunteering at the ADA Annual Meeting, we also encourage you to participate in the Mission of Mercy (MOM) project being held on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. This free, one-day dental clinic will serve up to 1,000 local patients with comprehensive dental care services. The MOM event needs volunteer dentists, dental hygienists, dental assistants and anyone 18 or older. Pursuant to D.C. law, all dentists, dental hygienists and dental assistants volunteering at MOM whether licensed in D.C. or not, must receive a letter of authorization. In order to do so, you must submit the appropriate MOM licensing paperwork no later than <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 26</u>, <u>2015</u>. Please visit the ADA's MOM website for more information.

Lastly, a reminder that the next monthly meeting will occur on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at the Westin Georgetown and will feature Dr. Asgeir Sigurdsson whose presentation is entitled: *Dental Trauma: Diagnosis and Emergency Treatment Modalities*. The meeting will start at 5:45 p.m. and conclude with dinner. Please visit the <u>DC Dental Society website</u> to view a complete listing of 2015-2016 monthly meeting speakers and topics, as well as download all the meetings to your digital calendars.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me or anyone on the Society's board should you have any questions.

We are DCDS: passionate about our profession, our community, and our future!

Sincerely, Julian

Julian Moiseiwitsch, B.D.S., Ph.D. *President, DC Dental Society* 

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## DCDS Mourns the Loss of Dr. Michael Stiglitz

DCDS is sad to announce the passing last month of colleague and friend Dr. Michael Stiglitz. He was a longtime DCDS member and is survived by his loving wife Adria, his son Matthew, and his sister Robin Waldman. Charitable donations may be made in Dr. Stiglitz's memory to the <u>Lombardi Cancer Center at Georgetown University Hospital</u> and condolences may be shared <u>here</u>.

# Dr. Dexter A. Woods Appointed Next Dean of Howard University College of Dentistry

The DC Dental Society congratulates Dr. Dexter A. Woods on his appointment as the Dean of Howard University's College of Dentistry. Dr. Woods is a graduate of Howard's College of Dentistry, and has worked extensively with the college for nearly two decades. Licensed to practice dentistry in the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Kansas, Dr. Woods has extensive experience in professional services, community outreach, and organized dentistry.

DCDS welcomes Dr. Woods as the new Dean and looks forward to the continuation of the close partnership the two organizations have enjoyed to promote the growth of the dental profession in the District, as well as raise the oral health literacy of our community.



Dr. Dexter A. Woods

# Have You Experienced a Delay in Obtaining a DC License/Registration? DCDS Wants to Hear From You!

The DC Dental Society is actively engaging the DC government to rectify what it sees as an excessive lag in the amount of time it currently takes for some individuals to obtain dentist and hygienist licenses, and dental assistant registration in the District of Columbia. The Society believes that though it is important to ensure that all individuals that practice dentistry in the District are appropriately credentialed, the amount of time it takes for someone to obtain a license or registration in DC must be in-line with our surrounding jurisdictions. If you, a colleague or someone in your practice has encountered what they deem to be an excessive delay in obtaining their District of Columbia dentist or hygienist license or dental assistant registration, we want to hear from you. Please complete this online form or contact the DC Dental Society Business Office at (202) 367-1163 or <a href="mailto:info@dcdental.org">info@dcdental.org</a>. The data collected will be used to identify the flaws in the current system and put together the Society's recommendations to the DC Government on how the system can be improved.

# Register Today for the September 16<sup>th</sup> DCDS Charity Golf Tournament









"What better way to spend a day than eating, drinking and playing in the sand! Looking forward to spending time with colleagues at the 2015 Tournament."

-Dr. Robert Tigani, 2014 Tournament Attendee

Enjoy a fun-filled day on the links at this year's DC Dental Society Charity Golf Tournament, occurring Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at the Bretton Woods Golf Course in Germantown, Maryland. This exciting networking event is open to all individuals and we encourage you to bring your colleagues and friends and play as a team! Net proceeds will benefit the DCDS Foundation, the charitable and philanthropic arm of the Society, dedicated to providing oral health care and promoting oral health literacy in the District.

Registration is \$150 per person and includes: green fees, golf cart, a BBQ lunch, drinks, dinner and a re-play certificate. Check-in opens at 11:30 a.m. and the tournament begins at 1:00 p.m.

Register now!



## **Volunteers Needed for the 2015 ADA Annual Meeting**

The success of the ADA Annual Meeting depends on the dedication of outstanding volunteers - people just like you! To volunteer, please visit the <u>ADA website</u> and use the group code CLAWDC. <u>Learn more</u> about who can volunteer, the benefits of volunteering, and volunteering position descriptions. If you have any questions about volunteering, please contact Jennifer Bell, DCDS Operations Manager, at <a href="mailto:ibell@dcdental.org">ibell@dcdental.org</a> or (202) 367-2483.

# **Get Recognized for Outstanding Achievements in Evidence-Based Dentistry**

Nominate a colleague or yourself for the Evidence-based Dentistry Awards. These awards, sponsored by the American Dental Association (ADA) and the American Association for Dental Research (AADR), honor dental school faculty and practitioners who have made significant contributions to implement and advance EBD.

Three winners will receive awards at a joint reception of the ADA's EBD Champions Conference and the <u>AADR Fall</u> <u>Focused Symposium</u> on November 4, 2015 in Washington, D.C. The event precedes the <u>ADA Annual Meeting</u>, November 5-10, in Washington, D.C. Airfare, hotel, and complimentary attendance to the EBD Champions Conference will be provided to all award recipients.

Apply or nominate a colleague by August 30, 2015.

## **ADA Humanitarian Award Nominations Due September 15th**

Do you know an ADA member who has created a legacy of volunteer work both in the U.S. and abroad? Nominations for the ADA Humanitarian Award are due September 15<sup>th</sup>.

The award, one of the highest honors bestowed by the ADA Board of Trustees, recognizes individual ADA member dentist volunteer who has:

- demonstrated significant leadership over a period of at least 10 years
- served as an inspiration to others
- established a legacy that is of ongoing value and benefit to those in need both in the U.S. and abroad

The award winner receives a \$10,000 donation to support volunteer work and is honored at the ADA Annual Meeting.

Download the nomination packet <u>online</u>. For more information, contact ADA International Relations at 1-312-440-2726 or <u>email them</u>.

# Volunteers Needed for November ADA Mission of Mercy in Washington, DC



Come for ADA 2015, but stay for Mission of Mercy! On Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., the ADA in partnership with the DC Dental Society, will host a free one-day dental clinic to serve up to 1,000 local patients in need with comprehensive dental care services. Dentists, dental hygienists, dental assistants and anyone 18 or older are encouraged to volunteer.

Pursuant to D.C. law, all dentists, dental hygienists and dental assistants volunteering at MOM whether licensed in D.C. or not, must receive a letter of authorization. In order to do so, submit the appropriate MOM licensing paperwork no later than **Wednesday**, **August 26**, **2015** to:

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#### **APRIL 26, 2016**

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For a limited time, the 10-hour course is being offered to ADA members for \$250. Non-members can register for \$650. Dentists who register for the program can register up to three of their non-dentist team members at the reduced tuition of \$150 per person. Team members must register at the same time as the dentist to take advantage of the reduced tuition.

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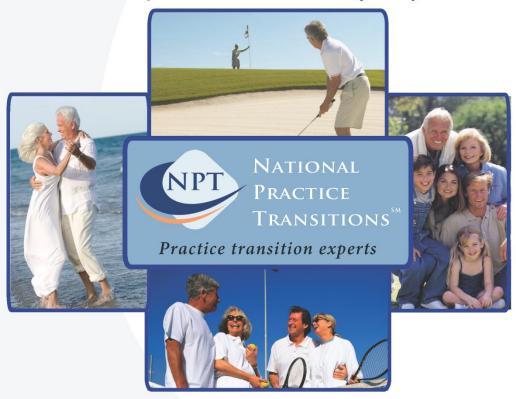
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