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# NODA News

## MISSION STATEMENT

*To maintain a cohesive organization that serves its membership by promoting the art, science and professionalism of dentistry, and by communicating the value of optimal oral health to the community.*

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## 2020 NODA Honor Dentist Donald P. Bennett D.D.S., F.A.C.D., F.I.C.D.

by David J. Hildebrandt, D.D.S. – Honors & Award Committee Chair



The New Orleans Dental Association Honors & Awards committee is pleased to announce the recipient of the 2020 Honor Dentist: Dr. Donald P. Bennett. Dr. Bennett will be presented with this award at the President's Banquet on March 12 at English Turn Country Club. A 1985 graduate of the LSU School of Dentistry, Don is a past President of the New Orleans Dental Association and a past Chairman of the New Orleans Dental Conference LDA Annual Session.

When asked about his career path, Dr. Bennett related that he had decided on his career choice in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Don remembers that the father of two of his childhood friends was an orthodontist. Don became close to the family and they helped to influence him to a career

in dentistry. Dr. Bennett recalls his family moved quite a bit in his youth. Don has lived in Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Salt Lake City, Kansas City, and of course south Louisiana.

While in dental school, Dr. Bennett was a member of Psi Omega Dental Fraternity. Don was also admitted into the C. Edmond Kells Dental Honor Society. Following graduation from dental school, Dr. Toso encouraged Don to attend NODA functions and eventually to serve on the NODC Board as Registration Chairman. From registration Chair to Scientific Chair, Don eventually rose to the position of General Chairman in 2013. As most leaders do, he began his leadership in the New Orleans Dental Association as an at-large member on the Board of Governors. He enjoyed the camaraderie with fellow Board members, chaired many committees, and eventually held many offices on the Board, including the aforementioned office of President in 2015. For entertainment and relaxation, Don plays as much golf as possible and in the winter, he enjoys hitting the slopes for snow skiing.

His commitment and volunteerism in dentistry and his community befit a recipient of the

Honor Dentist award. He served as a Board member, fundraising Chairman, and as President of the Children's Oncology Services of Louisiana (The Ronald McDonald House) from 1988-1992. He served as a Board Member, Treasurer, and Vice President of St Andrew the Apostle School Board. He is a past President of the Bienville Club. Don has volunteered as coach of 28 different boy's and girl's youth teams at Plantation Athletic Club. His professional accomplishments are also exemplary. In 2014 Don received the Louisiana Dental Association Star for outstanding service. Don was inducted as a Fellow in the American College of Dentists in 2015 and a Fellow in the International College of Dentists in 2016. From 2018 to the present Don is an examiner and Director for the Council of Interstate Testing Agencies. (CITA) Currently Don is the Vice President of the Louisiana State board of Dentistry and serves as Chairman of the Rule Making committee.

When asked about people he considers mentors, Dr. Bennett mentioned Dr. Peter Glaser, Dr. Don Toso, Dr. Bob Barsley, Dr. Glenn Dubroc, Dr. Claudia Cavallino, and Dr. Mark Chaney.

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## President's Message

by Gizelle P. Richard, D.D.S. – NODA President



February is upon us....as we work diligently to get our members and staffs vaccinated. Our Executive Director, Annette Droddy and her team at the LDA office in Baton Rouge have worked tirelessly to forge relationships with both LCMC and Ochsner hospitals. Many of us have secured appointments for vaccines. Please know that hospital personnel are working hard to make this happen.

The New Orleans Dental Conference/Louisiana Dental Association's Annual Session is set to be live May 6-8 at the Hilton Riverside. Please register online for what is sure to be an excellent conference. Volunteers are needed as hosts and room monitors.

The President's Installation Banquet will be held Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at English Turn Country Club. At this time, the Honor Dentist Award will be presented to Dr. Donald Bennett. Please join us for an evening of fun and camaraderie!

## WE WANT YOUR NEWS!!

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by David J. Hildebrandt, D.D.S. – Honors & Award Committee Chair

These mentors helped Don realize that if you want to change things for the better you have to be involved. He said "By being involved, I learned from the best and brightest dentists in our area." Organized dentistry helped my leadership skills, yielded insightful guidance on running a dental office, and provided invaluable knowledge gained via the camaraderie of fellow dentists. Don states, "I cherish the friendships I have made and I continue to be amazed at the talent and work ethic that exists in NODA." In spite of the many headwinds dentistry is facing today, he still views the profession

optimistically. He hopes that the solo practice model remains viable. Don enjoys being his own boss.

Dr. Bennett's message to the newest generation of dentists is to get and stay involved with organized dentistry because of the support and valuable resources that this provides. He also recommends to stay out of debt as much as possible. "It frees up your mind as well as time to do things you want to do." Colleagues in dentistry remain open to helping each other so that if you're having a problem with any aspect of dental practice, be it clinical or administrative, there's most likely someone else

who has effectively navigated the same challenge.

Finally, Dr. Bennett expressed his immense gratitude for being selected by his peers for NODA's most prestigious award and hopes to see as many of his friends as possible at the President's Banquet in March.

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## Past NODA Honor Dentist Award Recipients

*"In Recognition of Outstanding Contributions  
And  
Exemplary Conduct in the Profession of Dentistry"*

1982	Dr. F. Harold Wirth	1997	Dr. Terence E. Walsh	2010	Dr. Terry E. Fugetta
1983	Dr. Victor B. Marquer	1998	Dr. Clay C. Hunley	2011	Dr. Donald R. Toso
1984	Dr. Allen R. Copping	1999	Dr. R. Jack Cassingham	2012	Dr. Jamie M. Manders
1985	Dr. Meffre R. Matta	2000	Dr. Edmond J. Ganuchau, Jr.	2013	Dr. Francis G. Martello
1987	Dr. E. Harold Faget	2001	Dr. Milford L. Kathmann	2014	Dr. Randolph D. Green
1988	Dr. Eugene J. Fortièr, Jr.	2002	Dr. O. William Reeder, Jr.	2015	Dr. Robert E. Barsley
1989	Dr. Edmund E. Jeansonne, Sr.	2003	Dr. Anthony Miranda, Jr.	2016	Dr. Kristi M. Soileau
1991	Dr. Robert H. Charbonnet	2004	Dr. Peter L. Glaser	2017	Dr. Mark S. Chaney
1992	Dr. Vincent N. Liberto	2005	Dr. Kenneth G. Schott	2018	Dr. David J. Hildebrandt
1993	Dr. Frank L. Herbert	2006	Dr. Guy A. Ribando	2019	Dr. Kevin J. Collins
1994	Dr. F. Ralph Dauterive	2007	Dr. Darlene T. Bassett	2020	Dr. Donald P. Bennett
1995	Dr. John D. Shea	2008	Dr. F. Thomas Giacona, Jr.		
1996	Dr. Louis G. Grush	2009	Dr. Glenn C. Dubroc, Jr.		

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1922	Dr. Leo Dempsey	1962	Dr. Joseph R. Seelig	2001	Dr. Carol A. Stuckey
1923	Dr. T.M. Terry	1963	Dr. Joseph O. Kuebel, Jr.	2002	Dr. F. Thomas Giacona, Jr.
1924	Dr. Charles P. Kelleher	1964	Dr. Frank A. Kruse	2003	Dr. Glenn C. Dubroc, Jr.
1925	Dr. E.A. Gamard	1965	Dr. Richard A. Walle	2004	Dr. David J. Hildebrandt
1926	Dr. R.A. Gaston	1966	Dr. Allen Copping	2005	Dr. Kevin J. Collins
1927	Dr. Eugene L. Fortier	1967	Dr. Edwin T. Brown, III	2006	Dr. William F. Schmidt, Jr.
1928	Dr. William John Healey	1968	Dr. Anthony B. Carimi	2007	Dr. Mark S. Chaney
1929	Dr. A.C. Broussard	1969	Dr. Eugene J. Fortier, Jr.	2008	Dr. Ambrose M. Martin, III
1930	Dr. W.S. Tucker	1970	Dr. Robert H. Charbonnet	2009	Dr. Jeffry A. Leeson
1931	Dr. Sidney L. Tiblier	1971	Dr. Leo J. Schoeny	2010	Dr. Kristi M. Soileau
1932	Dr. Walter C. Hava		(Honorary)	2011	Dr. Laurie F. Moeller
1933	Dr. S. D. Gore, Sr.	1971	Dr. F. Ralph Dauterive	2012	Dr. George H. Arch, Jr.
1934	Dr. Ronald C. Steib	1972	Dr. Benjamin J. Leggett	2013	Dr. Darrell P. Bourg, Jr.
1935	Dr. M.B. Varnado	1973	Dr. John N. Estes, Jr.	2014	Dr. Raymond J. Unland, Jr.
1936	Dr. G. O. Rosado	1974	Dr. Terence E. Walsh	2014	Dr. Vincent L. DiLeo, Jr.
1937	Dr. J. Melville Smith	1975	Dr. Frank L. Herbert, Jr.	2015	Dr. Donald P. Bennett
1938	Dr. W.O. Goggin	1976	Dr. Vincent N. Liberto	2016	Dr. Richard L. Owens, Sr.
1939	Dr. Larry Dupuy*	1977	Dr. Milford L. Kathmann	2017	Dr. Gustavo M. Coutin
1940	Dr. Wallace M. Nicaud	1978	Dr. Donald R. Toso	2018	Dr. Kristopher P. Rappold
1941	Dr. Norman F. Gueno	1979	Dr. Clay C. Hunley	2019	Dr. Peter M. Tufton
1942	Dr. H. M. Moore, Sr.	1980	Arthur J. Scott, III	2020	Dr. Byron C. Ganucheau
1942	Dr. Clyde G. Barthlemy	1981	Dr. Edmond J. Ganucheau		
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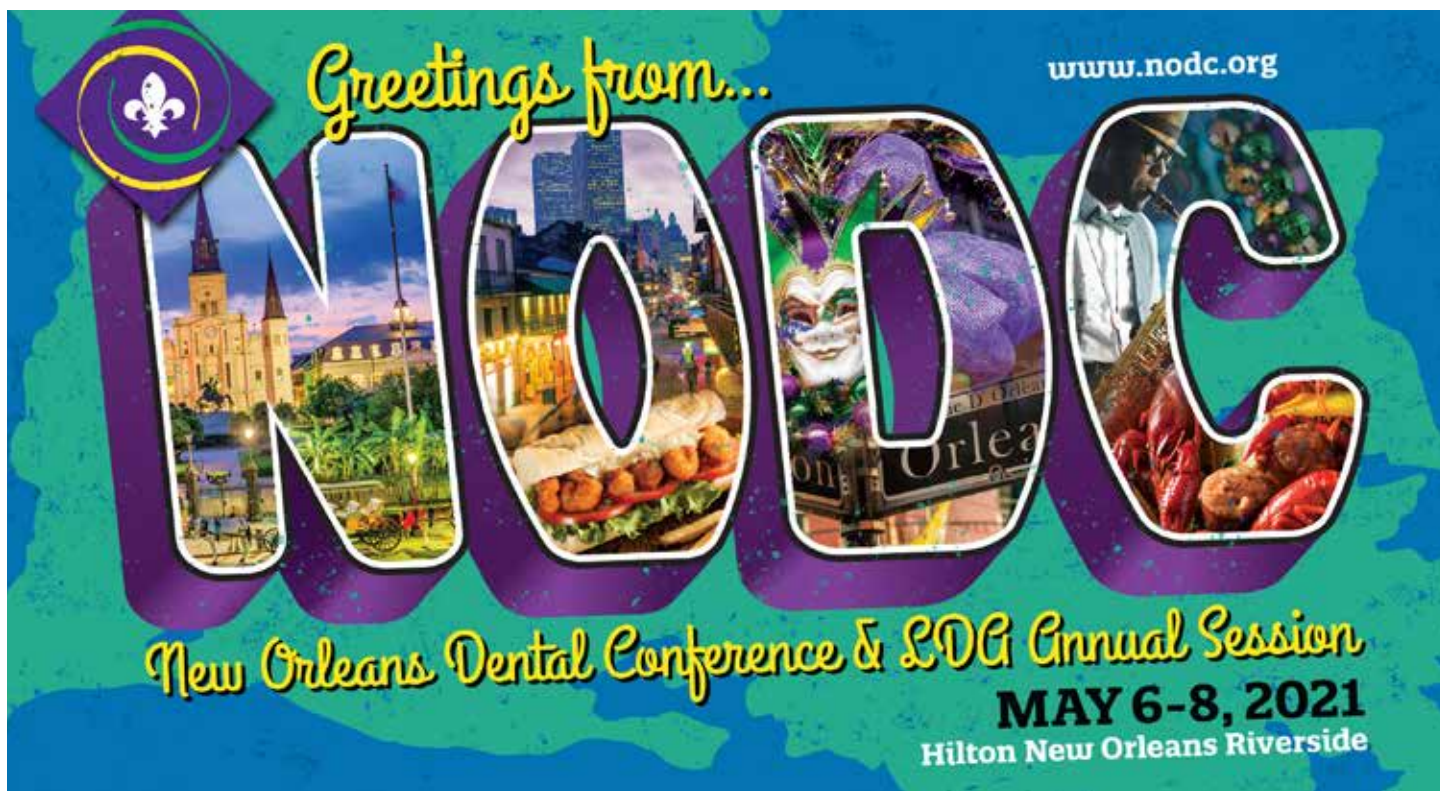
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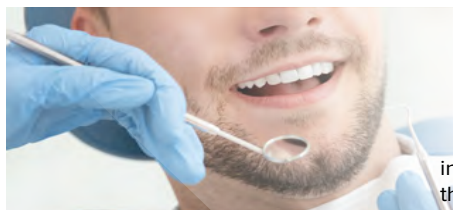
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## January General Membership Meeting

LSU School of Dentistry

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*Speaker Dr. Charles McCabe and President-Elect Dr. James Burns.*



*Sponsor Randy Blackburn @ Blackburn Dental Laboratory and President-Elect Dr. James Burns.*



*Dr. Gustavo Coutin (NODE gift card winner) and NODE Chair Dr. Kevin Collins.*

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### NODA General Membership Meeting

#### *When*

**WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 17, 2021**  
Meeting begins at 7:00pm

#### *How*

**Zoom**  
(details in subsequent e-mail)

**OR**

**New Orleans Dental Association**  
2121 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 153  
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March 20, 2021 <b>LIMITED SEATING, HANDS-ON COURSE!</b>	<b>Digital and Conventional Radiology for the Dental Assistant</b> Presented by Dale Brooks-Hernandez, LRT; Jeaneta Starks, DA; and Natasha Crossley-Williams, DA at <i>LSU School of Dentistry</i>	Assistant: \$325	8 clinical (4 lecture, 4 participation)
March 26, 2021 <b>Attend this course from ANYWHERE!</b>	<b>Minimal and No-Prep Veneers / Cosmetic Dentistry for Adolescents &amp; Young Adults</b> Presented by Dr. Gary Radz via <i>Live-Stream Video Conference</i>	<b>Early Bird / Regular / Late</b> Dentist: \$310 / \$340 / \$365 Hygienist/Lab Tech: \$185 / \$215 / \$240 Dental Team Member: \$100 / \$120 / \$145	7 clinical (lecture)
April 9-11, 2021 <b>LIMITED SEATING, HANDS-ON COURSE!</b>	<b>Expanded Duty Dental Assistant Training - Baton Rouge</b> Presented by Jenny Rayborn, EDDA; Susan Lowrance, EDDA; Ashley Guarisco, EDDA at <i>National EMS Academy &amp; a local private dental office</i>	Assistant: \$700	24 clinical (12 lecture, 12 participation)

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