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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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President's Message

by Byron C. Ganucheau, D.D.S. - NODA President



Holiday greetings to all!

December is here and that marks the final month of my term as President.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the opportunity afforded to me to serve you as President of the New Orleans Dental Association and for the trust placed in me to guide this wonderful organization for the past year. This year started out well, then COVID-19 wreaked havoc on many. We have made strides in returning back to "normal" and only the future will show any and all changes.

December The General Membership meeting, sponsored by Brown & Brown and ADS Lovelace & Associates, on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at English Turn Country Club will feature Mrs. Stormy Blair of Brown & Brown presenting "So, You Think You're Protected? Think Again!". Prior to the presentation, nominations for offices will be accepted from the floor, nominations closed, voting and then the 2021 Board of Governors will be installed. Drs. Gizelle Richard and James Burns have both held many positions in OUR association and will provide leadership to keep OUR association moving forward. Dr. Burns will be contacting members to serve as Delegates

and Alternate Delegates at the LDA House of Delegates scheduled for Saturday, March 20, 2021 at the Embassy Suites in Baton Rouge.

I would like to thank Mr. Andrew Hale, NODA Executive Director, for his efforts and dedication to keeping the daily operations of OUR association moving along continually without interruption.

Dr. David DeGenova has worked tirelessly in performing his duties as Treasurer through seeking ways to reduce costs and analyzing options and alternatives to have the most benefit for OUR association.

Additionally, the NODA 2020 Board of Governors, Committee Chairs, Past Presidents, and members of our organization worked diligently in helping move our organization forward. should all be thankful for the multitude of benefits that our associations (ADA, LDA, and NODA) have been able to provide for us. Please remember that volunteers are always needed to help OUR association in various capacities. Meetings usually are once a month and last about an hour for NODA and NODE. Conference meetings may take longer due to the many different committees reporting. But a good time is had by all.

Dr. Vincent DiLeo, Jr. and his New Orleans Dental Conference/Louisiana Dental Association's Annual Session committee continue meeting monthly to evaluate different scenarios that may occur due to the pandemic and rules and regulations resulting from them. Make plans to attend the Conference at the New Orleans Hilton Riverside on May 6 - 8, 2021. Irregardless, and I know I am being a broken record, but the NODC/L-DA Annual Session needs YOUR SUPPORT. OUR association lost its main financial support when the Conference had to cancel last year.

And kudos to Dr. Kevin Collins, New Orleans Dental Enterprises, his committee, Preferred Providers, and members utilizing Preferred Providers for surpassing \$100,000.00 in revenues. These funds have been used for upgrades and purchases within the NODA office and to sponsor two General Membership meetings per year at no cost to OUR members.

Again, thank you for supporting NODA and organized dentistry. Best wishes to you and yours for healthy, safe and happy holidays along with a happy and prosperous New Year!!

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Upcoming Scientific Programs

by Gizelle P. Richard, D.D.S. - NODA Scientific Program Committee Chair

DATE | LOCATION | TIME

SPEAKER | TOPIC | OBJECTIVES

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December 16, 2020

English Turn Golf & Country Club

1 Clubhouse Drive New Orleans, Louisiana 70131 504/392-2200 www.englishturn.com

Check In: Begins at 6:30 pm

Buffett Dinner: Begins at 6:30pm

CE Course: Begins at 7:00 pm

CE: 1 non-clinical hour **Deadline**: December 16, 2020

Seating: 50 dentists maximum due to COVID-19 social distancing

requirements. **Fee:**

Member \$20 Student \$20 Resident \$20 Applicant \$0 Non-member \$45.00

Registration & Payment:

Payment is required with registration, otherwise registration for the meeting is not guaranteed. A 25% administration fee will be applied to any refund request received prior to Monday, December 14th. All no shows will be charged. All requests for refunds or cancellations must be received in writing no less than three days prior to the course. Refund requests will not be accepted after this deadline. Registration fees are for this meeting only. Register now to reserve your seat due to limited seating!

General Membership Meeting & CE Lecture Dinner

Speaker Stormy Blair, AU

Stormy Blair has over 30 years experience in the life/health and property/casualty insurance business, and she has extensive knowledge regarding the insurance needs of dentists, oral surgeons, CPAs, physicians, pharmacists and attorneys. She is the Vice President of B & B, Association Services Professionals where her hard work and dedication to the members of their endorsed associations have helped make this agency one of the top Northshore agencies in South Louisiana. Stormy holds an Associate in Underwriting designation and continues to improve her insurance knowledge through many continuing education opportunities. She has the honor of serving on the Fortress Insurance Company's Advisory Committee. She is a frequent speaker hosting insurance classes for UMC School of Dentistry and LSU Dental School and local association meetings. She loves travel, scuba diving and Walt Disney World!



<u>Topic</u>

"So, You Think You're Protected? Think Again!"

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<u>Learning objectives</u>: Upon completion of the course, attendees will be able to:

- 1.) Identify and understand potential areas of risk in their dental practice.
- 2.) Understand the financial and emotional impact of gaps in insurance protection.
- 3.) Take advantage of risk mitigation tools available.
- 4.) Implement practice solutions to mitigate risk.
- 5.) Seek the proper insurance protection for these risks.

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Nominations for 2021 NODA Officers & Directors

By: Gizelle P. Richard, DDS, NODA Nominating Committee Chair



The 2020 Nominating Committee has accepted nominations for open officers and elective positions of NODA in 2021. As required by NODA Bylaws, Article XIII, Section 1-11, the Nominating Committee has been formed. The Nominating Committee members are: Dr. Gizelle Richard (chair), Dr. Mark Chaney, Dr. Kevin Collins and Dr. Vincent DiLeo, Jr.

If there is more than one candidate for any office or elective position, candidates will have an opportunity to address the membership at tonight's meeting prior to a vote of the membership. All newly elected officers and board members will officially begin their term of office immediately upon taking the oath of office.

The accepted nominations for the elective positions for NODA in 2021 are:

President-Elect-Dr. James Burns

1st Vice President - Aubrey Baudean, Jr.

<u>2nd Vice President</u> – Dr. Francesca Velasco

Secretary - Dr. Linda Cao

<u>At-Large Board Member</u> – Dr. Kevin Collins

<u>Director to LDA Board of Directors</u> – Dr. Vincent DiLeo, Jr.

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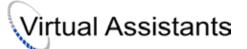
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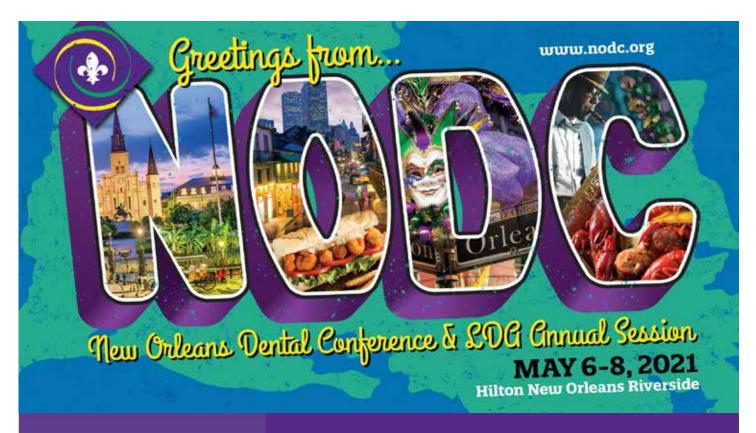
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Thursday PM session	\$ 63	3.0 hours		
Friday AM session	\$ 68	3.0 hours		
Friday PM session	\$ 68	3.0 hours		
Saturday AM session	\$ 58	3.0 hours		
Saturday PM session	\$ 58	3.0 hours		
	\$538	18.0 hours		
	= \$29.89/C.E. hour			

Hygienists				
Registration Fee	\$ 70			
Friday AM session	\$ 27	3.0 hours		
Friday PM session	\$ 27	3.0 hours		
Saturday AM session	\$ 17	3.0 hours		
Saturday PM session	\$ 17	3.0 hours		
	= \$13.17	= \$13.17/C.E. hour		

How do you spell bargain?

NODC & LDA

December General Membership Meeting English Turn Golf & Country Club

Photos courtesy of Dr. Kristi Soileau



President Dr. Byron Ganucheau and President-Elect Dr. Gizelle Richard.



Speaker and partial sponsor, Stormy Blair, AU of Brown and Brown Insurances of Louisiana speaks on "So, You Think You're Protected? Think Again!"



Drs. Gizelle Richard and Gabrielle Richard.



Drs. Kay Jordan and Aubrey Baudean, Jr.



Drs. Gustavo Coutin and Peter Tufton.



Drs. George Comeaux, Jr. and Stan Cowley, Jr.

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Drs. Gizelle Richard (President), James Burns (President-Elect), Dr. Aubrey Baudean, Jr. (1st Vice President), Dr. David DeGenova (Treasurer), Dr. Linda Cao (Secretary), Dr. Kevin Collins (At-Large), Dr. Vincent DiLeo, Jr. (Director to LDA), Jeffry Leeson (Director to LDA) and Dr. Byron Ganucheau (Immediate Past President). Not pictured: Drs. Francesca Velasco (2nd Vice President), Suzanne Fournier (At-Large), Daniel Harris (At-Large), Peter Dupree (Alternate Director to LDA).



Drs. Donald Bennett, David Hildebrandt, Vincent DiLeo, Jr. and Mark Chaney.



Dr. Gabrielle Richard (NODE gift card winner) and NODE chair Dr. Kevin Collins.



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January 15-18, 2021 Attend this course from ANYWHERE!	LSU's 44th Annual Perio Review: 2½ Day Review Course + 1½ Day Mock Oral Board Exam Presented by Dr. Bryan Pearson, DDS, MS + 10 additional faculty members via Live-Stream Video Conference	Early Bird / Regular / Late Individual: \$2,095 / \$2,195 / \$2,395 GROUP RATES AVAILABLE	31 clinical (20.25 lecture, 10.75 participation)
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