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

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President's Message

by Ambrose M. Martin III, DDS, NODA President

This year's crawfish boil was held for the first time on a Saturday afternoon. This event was well attended by our members and their guests. Also, some of the members of the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry attended, as they were partaking in a conference during the same weekend. I applaud Dr. Jeffry A. Leeson for all of his efforts in putting the event together. All of the expenses of the event were covered by sponsorship from Robert Ellis & Associates, Patterson Dental, VOCO America and New Orleans Dental Enterprises, Inc. (NODE President, Dr. Kevin J. Collins agreed to pay any remaining expenses not covered by the other sponsors.)

On May 21st, our general membership meeting was held at Dooky Chase Restaurant in New Orleans. Our meeting was hosted by the one and only Mrs. Leah Chase. Mrs. Chase was recently presented with an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Tulane University. Mrs. Chase graciously took the time to greet all guests and share her unique humor. Approximately 65 members and guests were in attendance as Mrs. Chase expressed her appreciation of NODA members. All seemed to enjoy the buffet meal which she personally selected, as well as the ambiance. Our meeting was sponsored by Zila Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

There are no general membership meetings scheduled during the summer months and our next meeting will be held in September. Please see Dr. Leeson's article for details on all upcoming meetings and visit the association's website at www.nodental.org.

I encourage all members to log on to the LDA's website and support the water fluoridation initiative. This very important legislation needs your support so please ask your local representatives to support this bill.

The 2009 New Orleans Dental Conference/LDA Annual Session committee, chaired by Dr. David J. Hildebrandt, continue to be hard at work preparing for next year's meeting. Please contact NODA with suggestions on speakers, along with their contact information. Also, please feel to contact the office to volunteer your time.

I will be spending the summer reaching out to local school system, charters schools, private schools and the Recovery School District, stressing the importance of early childhood exams. I will be encouraging the implementation of mandatory annual dental exams for children in grades K thru 12 as requirement for promotion. I will keep the membership informed of the progress of these efforts. As always, your input and assistance is needed and welcome.

I wish you all have a safe summer and I will speak to all of you in the fall.

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2008 Distinguished Alumnus of the LSU Dental School

by Christopher E. Brown, DDS - NODA Secretary



NODA is proud to report that one of our hardest working leaders, Dr. Randolph D. Green, D.D.S., has recently been honored as the 2008 Distinguished Alumnus of the LSU Dental School. The LSUSD Alumni Association each year selects an alumnus who has done so much for the profession that he truly stands out amongst his peers. Dr. Green has been doing that for so long with the LDA and NODA that it comes as no surprise that he received this honor. Congratulations!

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2008 Allen A. Copping Excellence in Teaching Award

by F. Thomas Giacona, DDS,
Honors & Awards Committee Chairperson

Laurie F. Moeller, D.D.S., Associate Professor of Clinical Prosthodontics, has been honored for her teaching contributions with the 2008 Allen A. Copping Excellence in Teaching Award for the School of Dentistry. The prized awards are bestowed annually from the LSU Health Sciences Center during spring commencement. The Copping Awards are named in honor of the former longtime Chancellor of what was then the LSU Medical Center. Dr. Copping became LSU President after serving as Dean of the Dental School and then Chancellor. He established the award to recognize faculty who are excellent teachers, have demonstrated a life-long quest for discovery and inspire their students.

Dr. Moeller has been a faculty member for 10 years and is the course director for the Clinical Fixed Prosthodontics course which is taught to the junior dental students. She was instrumental in designing and implementing the Comprehensive Care Clinic for the junior and senior students.



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2009 New Orleans Dental Conference

by David J. Hildebrandt, DDS, 2008 NODC/LDA Annual Session Chairman

Planning is well under way for your 2009 Conference. Many thanks to Dr. Donald R. Toso and his committee for last year's conference. The feed back we have received from last year was tremendous. You may have noticed a lot of new faces walking around the exhibit hall. We had a record number of out of state attendees. Doctors from Australia to the Bahamas and many from our neighboring states attended last year's meeting. Thanks to everyone who showed off our outstanding southern hospitality to all our out-of-town guests.

We are confident you will be pleased with next year's conference as well. We are planning some surprises for 2009, so keep tuned to your *NODA News* for updates on some of the new activities we are planning for next year.

I want to personally thank all the members who have stepped up to help with this year's meeting. The 2009 Conference committee members and their responsibilities are as follows:

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If you would like to participate in any of the committees, please contact the Committee Chairman. We would love to have your help in making this the best conference possible.

Contrary to earlier rumors, next year's conference will **not** be a Friday to Sunday conference. We will not have the exhibit hall on Thursday. However we will have all of our meeting rooms on Thursday. So, we have decided to keep the same Thursday to Saturday format you are used to. Because the exhibit hall will only be available on Friday and Saturday, we will keep the exhibit hall open longer on Saturday. Please make every effort to visit the exhibit hall on Saturday. Our exhibitors are concerned about Saturday traffic.

Remember the exhibitors keep your costs down! For additional up-to-date information, please visit the New Orleans Dental Conference website at www.nodc.org. Don't forget to mark your calendars for April 2-4, 2009. See you there!

An Important Announcement for Dentists who Send Dental Assistants to LSU Continuing Dental Education's "EDDA" Course

Effective, April 10, 2008, LSU Continuing Dental Education is an approved provider in the Small Business Employee Training Program (SBET), run by the LA Department of Labor.

Under this program, your dental practice may qualify to be reimbursed for the full tuition cost of sending Dental Assistants to LSU's "EDDA" course.

To qualify for the program, application must be made at least 30 calendar days prior to the course start date. Dentists who want to submit an application online to qualify for the program should go to www.laworks.net. On the website, click on Online Services (upper left corner). Under the title For Employers, see Incumbent Worker Training. Under that title click on Small Business Employee Training Application and log in. Just below the word Login you can click on Display/Print Instructions which tells you how to log in, and how to complete and submit a SBET application to the LA Department of Labor.

Or, you can call the LA Department of Labor's Information Line at 1-866-725-4987 to get connected to a person in your region who can help you get started with this program.

Initially, only LSU's EDDA course will be covered by the SBET Program. In the future, we will be announcing other CDE courses offered by LSU Continuing Dental Education that will be covered by this program.

SBET Application Instructions

1. Go to www.laworks.net
2. Click Online Service at the top left side of the screen
3. Scroll down to Small Business Employee Training Application
4. Enter login information
5. Enter - first initial and last name for the login name
6. Enter - federal tax identification number
7. Enter - unemployment Insurance number

8. Click the login button
9. From the menu select the option to Create Application
10. Enter data needed for items with 1 asterisk * or make corrections to items with 3 asterisks ***
11. Click Create Application
12. On the next screen scroll down and start with the first field Trainee's name and enter appropriate info:

Training Type- G1 is colleges/universities/private training providers - select from the drop down menu.

G2 is equipment training - select from the drop down menu or replace n/a with the training provider's name.

G3 is software training - select from the drop down menu or replace n/a with the training provider's name.

G4 is training from a trade association - select from the drop down menu or replace n/a with the training provider's name.

ONET Code- select from the drop down menu the code that best fits the employee's occupation

13. Click post this course when all fields have been complete
14. Repeat steps 12 and 13 until all trainees have been entered
15. Click Complete App. button
16. Read and answer the yes/no questions
17. Click submit button
18. Print the signature page
19. Sign or have the signature page signed
20. Fax or mail the signature page with the documentation listed on the signature page under the heading - "The following documents must be included with your signed application."

SBET Invoice Instructions

Creating an invoice for reimbursement:

1. Go to www.laworks.net
2. Click Online Service- at the top left side of the screen
3. Scroll down to Small Business Employee Training Application

4. Enter login information - userid is your first initial and last name
 5. From the menu select the option Create an Invoice
 6. Click on the arrow next to anticipated start date
 7. Choose the application that you want to invoice
 8. Scroll over to the right there are 2 options (ready to invoice or training will not occur)
 9. Click the box ready to invoice for training item that have been completed
 10. Click the complete invoice button at the bottom of the screen once you have all the items checked
 11. Print the invoice
 12. Sign or have all the pages of invoices signed
 13. Fax or mail the invoice with the appropriate documentation
- Creating an invoice when the training did not occur:

1. Follow items 1-8 above
2. Click the box training will not occur for all the training that the employee(s) did not take
3. Click complete invoice button at the bottom of the screen
4. Print the invoice
5. Sign or have the invoice signed
6. Fax or mail the invoice no documentation is needed

Documentation needed:

1. Proof that the training provider was paid - invoice with a zero balance, front and back of the cancelled check or credit card statement.
2. Proof that the employees were paid - check stubs for the time frame of the training (you may need more than 1 check stub if the training crossed pay periods.
3. Proof the employee completed the training - Certificate of completion signed by the instructor, or signed letter from the training provider stating the employees completed training.

ADA Opens Online Registration for 149th Annual Dental Meeting in San Antonio

by Fred Peterson, American Dental Association

Online registration is now open for the American Dental Association's (ADA) 149th Annual Session and World Marketplace Exhibition in San Antonio, offering unique learning opportunities, cutting-edge technology and a "Distinguished Speaker Series" that attracts history-making leaders from around the world.

This year's event will be held October 16-19, 2008 at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center. The convention center, located just steps away from the world-famous Alamo, sits directly on San Antonio's famous River Walk, a three-mile cobblestone walkway full of restaurants and cafés, shops and galleries. Attendees can conveniently register at www.ada.org/goto/session.

For further information, please contact Fred Peterson at petersonf@ada.org, Lydia Hall at hall@ada.org or call 1-800-621-8099 or 312-440-2806.



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Upcoming Scientific Meeting

by Jeffry A. Leeson, DDS, NODA Scientific Program Committee Chairperson

The next scheduled General Membership Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2008. The meeting will be held at Café East Restaurant at 4628 Rye Street, Metairie, LA 70006. (Phone: 504/888-0078, Website: www.cafeeastnola.com).

The speaker will be John Fundingsland. Mr. Fundingsland has been with 3M for more than 20 years and was in the research and development of many of 3M ESPE's restorative composite, ionomers, and adhesive materials. He was also involved with the technical support of each of these products. In addition, Jon has spent time within 3M's Professional Services Department working with many worldwide lecturing clinicians. The topic of the lecture will be "Dental Materials: Behind the Scene."

Dental materials are changing, and both clinicians and manufacturers are doing their best to keep up! During this presentation you will see both clinical and technical results with today's restorative products. You will also get a glimpse as to how these materials are developed through close collaboration between manufacturer and clinician.

Objective #1 - Dental adhesives: We are now into our 7th generation of dental adhesives. Generations 4-7 are all available. When are certain generations appropriate and when are they not? What recommendations might be upcoming based on recent research? Techniques to reduce postoperative sensitivity will also be presented.

Objective #2 - Nanotechnology: Let's look beyond the hype. What nanotechnology can offer to restorative materials, from adhesives to flowables to universals to glass ionomers.

Objective #3 - From a clinical perspective, layering techniques collected through collaborations with clinicians around the globe will be highlighted. Techniques designed to both reduce the effects of polymerization stress as well as optimize esthetics will be presented.

While most techniques will feature 3M ESPE Filtek Supreme Plus, the techniques themselves would be appropriate to other esthetic composites as well.

Objective #4 - Future dental materials. New developments in both chemical and digital technology will conclude the presentation. The sponsor of this meeting is 3M ESPE Dental Products. They are located in Houston, Texas. You can place a toll-free telephone call to 1-800-634-2249, Ext. 1 or visit their website at www.3MESPE.com for more information. Mr. Craig N. Mason can be reached at 225/205-4784 or e-mail to cnmason@mmm.com.

Future Scientific Program meetings are scheduled for the following:

* **September 17, 2008** - General Membership Meeting @ Café East Restaurant for 7:00pm.

* **October 15, 2008** - General Membership Meeting @ Anselmo's Restaurant for 7:00pm.

* **November 19, 2008** - General Membership Meeting @ Colonial Country Club for 7:00pm.

* **December 17, 2008** - General Membership Meeting @ Five Happiness Restaurant for 7:00pm.

* **January 21, 2009** - General Membership Meeting @ The Rose Garden for 7:00pm.

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For further information and important links, start with the Loansome Doc home page at www.nlm.nih.gov/loansomedoc/loansome_home.html. Be sure to read the Loansome Doc Fact Sheet for a detailed outline of the entire process. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Schiavo or Liz Strother at the dental school library.

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Bylaws Change

by Robert E. Barsley, DDS,

NODA Consitution & Bylaws Committee Chairperson

As per Article VIII of the New Orleans Dental Association Bylaws, this is the official notification to the membership of a Bylaws change that has been introduced at the April Board of Governors meeting and will be voted on at the September 17th General Membership meeting. The Board of Governors has approved this addition to the Bylaws.

"A member of the New Orleans Dental Association may not solicit at any General Membership meeting or any function of the New Orleans Dental Association for any CE course or anything from which he or she may derive a personal benefit. Furthermore, no organization or company can solicit the membership without prior approval of the NODA Board of Governors."

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September 19-20		<i>The 2nd Annual Clifton Q. Drummettt Jr. Memorial Lecture for the Pediatric Patient</i> w/Drs. Wm. F. Waggoner & David B. Kennedy ONE OR TWO DAY OPTION	14 hrs.	DDS Staff	\$295/\$495
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