



MINNESOTA
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Fall 2017



Hello Everyone,

Happy Fall! I hope that everyone had a great summer so far. It's hard to believe its September already and time to start our CE programs.

MnDAA celebrated their 95th General Assembly in April. WOW-95 years just imagine the changes that have been pursued, seen, accomplished and even some that weren't accomplished, only to try it again at a later date. MnDAA has worked hard these past 95 years for the Minnesota dental assistants and we will continue to work hard for us.

MnDAA is pursuing once again, the administration of local anesthesia and supragingival scaling for Minnesota Licensed Dental Assistants. We will need your support in this endeavor as we move forward.

As MnDAA moves forward, into our 96th year, there will be more changes coming our way, some have started already and some are waiting to get started. Your help and support are needed and greatly appreciated. I ask that as a member of the ADAA, ask yourself these questions, "why did I join?", "what are my expectations of ADAA/MnDAA?", "what can I do to help promote the Association?" and "what can I do to be an 'active' member?"

We all joined for one reason or another.

MnDAA has room for volunteers--committee members are needed. By volunteering your time and talents you will meet new people, share ideas, have fun, be part of an awesome team, and be the 'active' member you know you can be.

By volunteering to help out on a committee, you are not alone; we work as a team in order to accomplish goals as quickly and efficiently as possible. We know that your time is valuable.

My 2017-2018 strategic plan is available on the website for your review.

I hope that you will look at the reason's you are a member and take that next step to get involved. It's a great way to renew your passion for dental assisting.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Kelli
MnDAA President

In Memoriam

Long time ADAA/MnDAA member and MnDAA Past President Carol Lindig passed away peacefully on Friday July 14, 2017.



Carol was a Certified and Registered Dental Assistant from January 1, 1977-March 14, 2007.

She was employed at Dentistry for Children & Adolescents, July 1981-March 2007.

Carol was an excellent mentor to the staff at Dentistry for Children & Adolescents and to the members of the MnDAA. She will be missed by all.

In honor of Carol, MnDAA will be donating a memorial in her name to the Professional Dental Assistants Education Foundation.



Congratulations!

Congratulations Corner

MnDAA Awards presented on April 29, 2017

Anna Braun Loyalty Award recipient—Wendy Sockness, 28 years at Dentistry for Children & Adolescents

Ruth Asp Martinson Achievement Award recipient—Kelli Olson



Holly Epperson, the ADAA Merit Scholar award recipient



ADAA Juliette A. Southard Scholarship recipient—Kira Wiedewitsch



ADAA Anna Nelson Memorial Award for Editorial Excellence was presented to Tyler Winter, NDDAA and MnDAA member.

Congratulations to all of the award recipients!



Volunteers Needed

The following committees need your help.

Student Involvement

Oral Cancer Walk

Website

Judicial/Legislative

Bylaws/Manual of Procedure

You can contact Kelli O. for more information on any of these committees. It's a great way to get involved!!



7th District News

Kelli Olson, 7th District Trustee (MN, ND, SD, WI)

ADAA held their 2nd Annual Virtual House of Delegates on Saturday April 1, Sunday April 9 and Saturday May 13. The ADAA Bylaws were updated, discussed and voted on. They are available on the ADAA website for members as well as all board meeting minutes.

On Wednesday August 9, 2017, ADAA held a Townhall meeting to discuss Continuing Education topic suggestions and suggestions on Membership Recruitment. There were lots of excellent suggestions and ideas for both topics. It was a very productive meeting.

The fall 2017 HOD will be held to approve the 2018 budget. Member of 7th District who served as delegates at the April HOD will be serving as delegates to this meeting. Please contact me if you are unable to attend this meeting. An email was sent out from ADAA on August 28 regarding this meeting.

If you are not receiving emails from ADAA it could be for the following reasons:

Two common reasons for not receiving ADAA emails are:

1) Emails from @adaausa.org are being sorted into spam or being blocked by their email due to past actions taken by others using the email provider or the user themselves.

2) The user has unsubscribed from an email sent via ConstantContact on behalf of ADAA, not realizing that unsubscribing meant that ADAA legally cannot send them emails via ConstantContact anymore.

The solution to the issues is now the first FAQ under the first category on ADAA's FAQ page (<https://www.adaausa.org/about-adaa/FAQ>)

7th District has a Facebook page, if you would like to join us there search for ADAA 7th District.

Minnesota has two local societies that will be disbanding due to lack of volunteers to take officer positions. These locals are Vikingland in Alexandria and Tri-Metro in the Twin Cities.

Kelli
ADAA 7th District Trustee



Upcoming Events



Twin Cities Oral Cancer Walk/Run

Saturday October 7, 2017 Eagan Community Center. To sign up for the walk go to:
<http://oralcancerfoundation.org/event/ocf-walkrun-twin-cities/>

MnDAA will be represented at this event. Stop by and see us.



Save the Date: Saturday March 24, 2018 MnDAA Learning in the Round. Place and speakers to be determined. MnDAA Board meeting to follow after CE meeting.



EXTRA EXTRA

MnDAA is back on the web.

Visit us at: www.mndausa.org

Sign up for the newsletter and other information to be emailed to you!

If you have something that you would like to put on the website please contact kelliolson84@gmail.com

Continuing Education Opportunities

Take advantage of continuing education meetings in your area. St. Cloud Dental Assistants Society and Head of the Lakes Dental Assistant Society both have monthly meetings coming up. Their CE programs are at the end of this newsletter. MnDAA will be hosting the Learning in the Round meeting on Saturday March 24, 1018.

Online CE opportunities:

The Minnesota Dental Association is excited to announce a new tobacco cessation educational webinar series for use in the clinic. This effort is brought forth through a collaboration with the Minnesota Department of Health, Bloomington Public Health, Statewide Health Improvement Partnership, Call it Quits referral program, and the Delta Dental of Minnesota Foundation.

The webinar addresses tobacco's role as a common risk factor for oral diseases and provides helpful information on learning how to assess the patient, motivational interviewing techniques, available resources, and referral options. The series is worth one fundamental continuing education credit. There are four chapters, each complete with a post-test and a CE certificate. Access the webinar anytime at <https://www.mndental.org/members/patients/smoking-cessation/tobacco-cessation-webinar-series/>.

ADAA has free CE for members. To access their library of courses go to <https://www.adausa.org/Education/Online-Continuing-Education/Course-Catalog>

St. Cloud Dental Assistants Society (SCDAS) Scheduled Speakers 2017-2018 * = Core 2

Due to unexpected changes and weather we recommend you check before meetings in case of changes.

You can see us on Facebook and or on the State web site: www.mndaausa.org or contact one of the officers.

Sept. 18	Monday 2 CE Speaker: Tammy Hines CDA, LDA	Topic: HIPAA *
Oct. 09	Monday 2CE Speaker: Leanne Mathieu Kramer	Topic: Infection Control *
Nov. 13	Monday 2 CE Speaker: Dir. Mohamed Harunani (Student Night/ Refreshments Served with four 2 nd yr student awards being handed out)	Topic: Impressions / Hands On
December	NO MEETINGS! HAPPY HOLIDAYS!	
Jan. 08	Monday 2CE Speaker: TBA	Topic: TBA
Feb. 12	Monday 2CE Speaker: DDS Michael Contardo (Guest Night Free CE)	Topic: Laser Dentistry
March 12	Monday 2 CE Speaker: Kelli Olson LDA, CDA, CDPMA, CPFDA	Topic: A Day in the Life of a Pediatric Dental Assistant

Meeting times are: 6:30PM to 8:30PM (With a short meeting afterwards, followed by handing out CE Certificates.) Meetings are held at: **St. Cloud Technical Community College, Health & Science Bldg., 1245 15th Street North, St. Cloud, MN 56303.** **Current ADAA Membership Card Required**, Non Member Fee: \$30.00. Room #143 this will be posted at the Front Door.

New Members can register & Pay on Line. Go to: www.adaausa.org or call 1-630-994-4247 or 877-874-3785 for information. When signing up for ADAA Membership you can Request which Local Dental Assisting Society to join. We hope you will do this to support your local dental assistant society by signing up and request St. Cloud Dental Assistant Society. This will help our Non Profit Local St. Cloud Dental Society receive rebates so we can be there for you with free CE requirements!

If you have any questions, comments or suggestion you can contact one of the SCDAS officers listed below. Or check us out on Facebook St Cloud Dental Assistants Society.

President: Mary Schutz C: 320-293-8290 or mary.w.schutz77@gmail.com

Secretary: Heidi Vreeland 320-290-6162

This is the only notice you will receive. Please let us know if you have a change of address, phone number and or e-mail address we will be going away from mailing out CE Cards and E-mailing instead.

Thank you and we hope to see you there,

Mary Schutz CDA, LDA
SCDAS President

2017-2018 MEETING SCHEDULE
Head of the Lakes Dental Assistants Society (HOLDAS)
ALL REGULAR MEETINGS ARE 3 CREDITS

Please register for your desired meeting by the **Thursday** prior to the meeting night. If space is limited last minute registrations and walk-ins may not be accommodated.

To register please call or text Lori Theis at 218-349-1743 or e-mail holdas.duluth@gmail.com. If you call, text or e-mail the day of the event you may not receive a response until after 5pm. **Please give the names of ALL those you are registering along with a contact phone number reachable after 5pm.**

The fee for the meetings is \$25.00 for ADAA/ADHA/ADA/LDT members and \$35.00 for non-members. You may pay at the meeting.

Sign-in begins at 5:45pm for regular meetings with the event beginning at **6:00pm** and concluding at approximately **9:00pm**.

DATE: Tuesday, September 19, 2017	TOPIC: Record Keeping (This is a core subject)
PLACE: Vintage Italian Pizza (VIP) Tower Avenue, Superior WI	SPEAKER: Dianne Testa, GC America

DATE: Tuesday, October 17, 2017	TOPIC: Massage Therapy, TMJ and Myofacial Release
PLACE: Lucky 13 Miller Hill Mall, Duluth MN	SPEAKER: Kristy Marie, Therapist

DATE: Tuesday, February 20, 2018	TOPIC: Silver Diamine Fluoride
PLACE: Green Mill Canal Park, Duluth MN	SPEAKER: Tiffany Jonasen DDS, Dental Director LSCHC

DATE: Tuesday, March 20, 2018	TOPIC: Updates in Crown & Bridge; What's Best To Use and Where
PLACE: Grandma's Grille & Saloon Canal Park, Duluth, MN	SPEAKER: Brad from Dental Crafters in Marshfield WI

Register early to assure your place. We will ONLY register the first 30 people.

DATE: Tuesday, April 10, 2018	TOPIC: Botox in Dentistry
PLACE: Buffalo House Duluth MN	SPEAKER: Dr. Roopali Sharma, Esko Dental Associates

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The ADAA Statement of Professional Commitment

As a professional dental assistant, I will promote the advancement of the careers of dental assistants and the dental assisting profession on matters of education, legislation, credentialing and professional activities which enhance the delivery of quality dental health care to the public.