

# October 2010 Newsletter

## Clark County Dental Society Newsletter

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the first Thursday  
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## President's Message

Summer has sung its last song and October is upon us! The autumn weather brings with it fall festivals, elephant ears and fantastic football.

This past weekend the WSDA House of Delegates had a productive meeting in Bellingham. The Dental Workforce initiative (aka mid-level provider) was made palatable by our constituents. A great big THANK YOU! To our delegates who took time from their busy lives to represent us: Peter Lubisich III, Eric Messenger, Jim Prew, Brian Shaffer, and Peter Lubisich, IV.

Dr. Dan Warner is currently serving as the Vice President of the Washington State Dental Association and is beginning a four-year term as he works his way through the WSDA leadership ranks. Dan will be a strong link between the Clark County Dental Society and the WSDA. He can be reached at [dwarnerdds@gmail.com](mailto:dwarnerdds@gmail.com) with your concerns. Dan also extends his regrets for missing a few of the CCDS meetings; however he will be attending numerous state-level association meetings and asks for our understanding. No worries, Dan! Thanks for all you are doing on our behalf!!

Steve's do-it-now action recommendations for the month of October:

- Please make plans to attend Dental Action Day in Olympia on Friday, January 28<sup>th</sup>; especially if you have never attended as you will gain a greater understanding of our state democratic process. You'll also be glad to put a face with a name when thinking of our elected officials; especially when you write that B & O check.
- Mark your calendar for Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011, as Children's Dental Health Day. Dr. Peter Lubisich will again lead out; thank you Peter! The first organizational meeting will be on Wednesday **October 21** at the Clark College Dental Hygiene School.
- We decided not to print a new directory, but if you would like a print copy of the CCDS member directory that is also on our website please write to Connie Stenlund at [cmstenlund@yahoo.com](mailto:cmstenlund@yahoo.com)
- Spend some time this month exploring the WSDA website at <http://www.wsda.org/>

See you Thursday, October 5th, 6:00pm at Royal Oaks.

Steven D. Hokett DDS, CCDS President

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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There will be a fundraiser for Rep. Jim Moeller at Drs. Dan Wilson and Mike Warner's office lobby on Tuesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30 to 7:00 pm.

Rep. Moeller is on the Health Care Committee and is a friend of dentistry. We need to support him for re-election. "Be there, or be square."

**PLEASE RSVP BY THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2010 TO DRS. WARNER'S OFFICE @ 360-260-4172 OR E-MAIL [dwarnerdds@gmail.com](mailto:dwarnerdds@gmail.com)**

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Dr. Scott Waletzko, a 2008 UW Dental School graduate, is looking for a general dentistry associate opportunity in Clark County. Please contact him with any information.

[swdds@ymail.com](mailto:swdds@ymail.com), (206) 769-2737.

## **EDITORIAL**

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The Dental profession is consistently faced with the issue of finding competent, capable people to work in the various roles of care. A source of quality personnel that is frequently overlooked is in the area of new immigrants to our country. Many times they are not considered due to language barriers. Most of us have a history of immigration in our families. We are the product of family members who took the step to leave the security of their homeland for the chance of a better life for themselves and their posterity. It takes courage, a high work ethic, intelligence, a desire to learn, and the willingness to integrate into our culture. People of this caliber can develop language skills quickly as they are trained in the dental environment.

People, when given trust and a chance for a better life, express loyalty and gratitude. The employer benefits abundantly from this attitude as do our patients. With training and a commitment to excellence these individuals will blossom into the best of personnel which results in the best of care for those we serve.

## **2010-2011 Dental Society Calendar**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
<b>October 7, 2010</b>	WSDA President-Dr. Doug Walsh	State of the Association	House of Delegates Report	
<b>November 4, 2010</b>	Brett Ueek MD, DMD- Sunset Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery(Portland, OR)	“Immediate Implants for Anterior Teeth”		
<b>December 2, 2010</b>	Mr. Justin Myers, US Bank Vice President Client Management	What Bankers Think of Dentists; What Dentists Think of Bankers		
<b>January 6, 2011</b>	Barbara Erskine M.S., CCC, SLP-B.E.S.T.	Speech Therapy  The Dentist’s Role		
<b>February 3, 2011</b>	Dr. David R. Boston, MD, ABIHM-Hybrid Health LLC	The Heartache of Gingivitis: The Inflammatory link between heart and gum disease		
<b>March 3, 2011</b>	Dr. David Verschueren, DMD, MD-Northwest Oral & Facial Surgery, Vancouver, WA	Management of Dental and Head and Neck Trauma	Officer Nominations  Howard Memorial Table Clinic presentations	
<b>April 7, 2011</b>			Officer Elections	
<b>May 5, 2011</b>			CCDS Elected Officers	



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