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## Upcoming AGD Board Meetings

Thursday, Aug. 15  
Thursday, Sept. 5  
Tuesday, Oct. 8  
Thursday, Nov. 6  
Tuesday, Dec. 10

Members are  
welcome!

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**Arizona Delegation to the Region XIV caucus in Nashville, Tennessee June 2013:** (left to right) Executive Secretary Corrina Sprenger, President Dr. Richard Holley, Executive Director Dr. Ronald Giordan, Immediate Past President Dr. Walter Rapacz, Membership Chairperson Dr. Dana Onet, ASDOH AGD Student Chapter Members: Onika Patel ('14) and Molly Erickson DMD('14)

## ARIZONA AGD MEMBERS HIT MUSIC CITY FOR AGD ANNUAL MEETING - NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

From June 27 through June 30, over 2500 dental professionals from around the country "Tuned up in Tennessee" at the 2013 Academy of General Dentistry's Annual Meeting & Exhibits in the new Music City Center. Each year, this AGD national meeting is one of AGD's greatest efforts in providing quality CE for general dentists. Additionally, it is a great forum for dental leaders to become enlightened, discuss, and vote on many emerging dental issues.

Representing our Arizona chapter were seven leaders from our AZ AGD Board. They were exposed to the hottest topics in quality CE from world-renowned speakers ranging from implant complications to implementing nonprofit clinics to what the current US economy means to the general dentist. Furthermore, they were able to meet some of the most influential leaders of AGD at the national level. And they were able to participate in many fun and philanthropic events such as "The Presidential Concert: A Night at the Ryman Auditorium" where all proceeds went to the Interfaith Dental Clinic as well as the AGD Fun Run/Walk 5k which funds outreach and (continue on pg 2)



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grant programs that make dental care available to underserved populations, children, the elderly, and those with physical and intellectual disabilities. Meeting participants also have the chance to observe and participate in House of Delegate and other Governance proceedings.

Events like these are



important, not only as stepping stones for new and young dentists, but also to allow experienced dentists to continue to advance their skills and, of course, share their pearls of wisdom. It is a great time for dentists of all years of experience to come together, learn from one another, nurture friendships and partnerships, and

continue to improve the field of dentistry from a clinical, research, political, and community perspective. Join thousands of dental professionals next year at the 2014 Annual Session & Exhibits in Detroit on June 26-29. Get ready to **“REV UP YOUR EDUCATION WITH HIGH OCTANE CE”** - See you there! □

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***A MESSAGE FROM YOUR NEW  
AZAGD PRESIDENT  
Richard Holley, DDS, FAGD***

Dear Colleagues,

As you know and no doubt feel daily in your practice of dentistry, our profession is fighting its way through some critical crossroads. As the world accelerates along the slope of technological advancement, the AGD is standing firm and committed to training dentists in every discipline of dentistry by bringing comprehensive training to Arizona through dynamic speakers and practical hands-on training. The AGD is entering its 63rd year of being general dentists' premier source of focused continuing education designed to enhance patient experience and your practice success.

The AGD is also the nation's leading organization fighting specifically for the rights and freedoms of general dentists, and in the past year the AGD has led the fight nationally and in nearly every state in the union in matters of mid-level providers, specialist and legislative encroachment on the ability to generalists to perform procedures they are trained for, and in the growing disaster of insurmountable dental student debt load. Insurance and corporate vultures standing on our shoulders paint a tough picture for the future of private practice.

Only by standing together, for training and for advocacy, can we as general dentists hope to subsist and leave a future in place for the next generation of dentists.

Please join us. Help on a committee or as a delegate. Attend some courses. Offer some insight as a mentor to graduating students, even just send an email telling us more about what you'd like to see. The AGD has much to offer, but is only as strong as the combined effort and wisdom of its members.

Contact us at [arizonaagd@cox.net](mailto:arizonaagd@cox.net).  
We are very interested in hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Richard Holley, DDS, FAGD  
President, Arizona AGD 2013



# ARIZONA ORAL CANCER WALK 2013



On Saturday, April 6, 2013, the fourth annual Arizona Oral Cancer Walk successfully took place at El Dorado Park in Scottsdale. There were over 100 participants, including community members, local dentists and dental assistants and hygienists, dental students, and volunteers.

Free oral cancer screenings, breakfast and refreshments, and survivor stories were shared prior to the 5k walk/run. The first guest survivor speaker was Christine Brader. Christine is a three-time oral cancer survivor. She is a senior board advocate for The Oral Cancer Foundation. She works at the state level and travels to oral cancer walks around the country to

increase awareness regarding tobacco use and its effects. Our second guest speaker was Kaitlyn Propp, who was 19 years old when she was diagnosed with squamous cell carcinoma during a routine oral cancer screening with her general dentist. She had no history of alcohol or tobacco use. Therefore her presence spoke volumes on the importance of obtaining oral cancer screenings despite age, use of tobacco or use of alcohol. The above image on the left include all the oral cancer survivors who came out to support the walk.

Special thanks goes out to the 2013 Official Sponsors: Delta Dental, Midwestern University College of Dentistry, Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health, Proctor & Gamble, Heartland Dental, Arizona Academy of General Dentistry, The Pogue Center, McDowell Dentistry of Goodyear, and Brighton Dental. The walk raised over \$10,000. All proceeds went to the Oral Cancer Foundation for research and raising awareness.

As dental professionals, we are valuable players in diagnosing or acknowledging the early signs of head, neck, throat, or oral cancer. Raising awareness about this topic and emphasizing the importance of obtaining annual oral cancer screenings to identify early signs and symptoms is very important. Please help us. Walk. Run. Bring your pets. Help organize/plan the walk. Sponsor the walk. Encourage your office staff to participate. Encourage your patients to participate. Bring your family and friends. Educate others.

Hope to see you at our next Arizona Oral Cancer Walk in April 2014!!!

More information: [www.azoralcancerwalk.org](http://www.azoralcancerwalk.org) • To help organize or sponsor - contact: [mduong@atsu.edu](mailto:mduong@atsu.edu) □



# Academy of General Dentistry 2013 ANNUAL MEETING

## Student Representative Perspective

By: Molly Erickson, ASDOH DMD '14

The Academy of General Dentistry recently welcomed thousands of dental professionals to Nashville, Tennessee for the 61st Annual Meeting. While surrounded by the charms of the Music City, participants had opportunity to choose from numerous CE courses and browse the Exhibit hall. Fellows, Masters, and Lifelong Learning and Service Recognition recipients were celebrated with a Convocation Ceremony followed by Presidential Concert at the iconic Ryman Auditorium.

The Arizona AGD constituent was represented at the Annual Meeting by 5 board members and 2 student board members from Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health. As a student, my first experience at the Annual Meeting was invaluable. Not only were we able to par-



*This year's AGD Annual Meeting took place at the new Music City Center in Nashville, Tennessee.*

take in numerous Continuing Education sessions, but we were also able to be involved in AGD Governance including the revision of national Bylaws and installation of the 2013-2014 AGD officers.

One of my favorite parts of the meeting was having the chance to interact with students from other dental schools. It is great to see that the AGD organization is so in tune to the needs of students, and even wants to increase student participation. In fact, one CE course specifically targeted the interests of students, residents and new dentists. As future general dentists and enduring AGD members, students can benefit immensely from attending an AGD Annual meeting. Students can gain an appreciation of what goes into making such a successful organization that advocates for the protection of our future profession. This is in addition to the knowledge acquired through CE courses and the priceless connections that can be made with other dental professionals involved with AGD. This experience will allow us to go back to our schools and confidently recruit future students and ultimately life long members. □



*Molly Erickson (left) and Onika Patel (right), two AzAGD student chapter members posing in front of the new Music City Center.*



# ***ACADEMY OF GENERAL DENTIST ANNUAL CONFERENCE... 5 REASONS STUDENTS SHOULD ATTEND***

***By: Onika Patel, ASDOH DMD '14***

As a student, traveling to dental conferences and meetings is always exciting. However many meetings can be more than just a free trip and can add so much value to our dental school experience. I bring to you, the “5 Reasons to Attend AGD Annual Meeting” in no particular order.

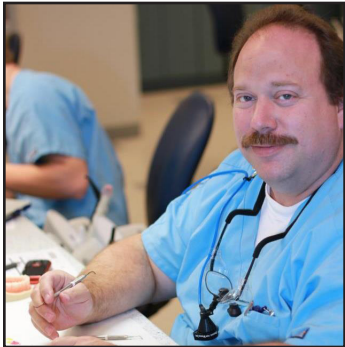
- ***THE AGD REALLY CARES ABOUT US & WANTS TO GIVE US A VOICE.*** At a chapter level, our President Dr. Holley is constantly engaging students and asking us what we struggle with, or how we see the future of our profession. He wants to know our thoughts and also see how the AGD can help have a great experience and be able to come out of dental school successful. Dr. Holley, along with all AGD board members both local and national, want to show us the benefits of the AGD now as students and transition us into young leaders in the organization. It is rare that we have the chance to get involved so early on and have such an open door and the opportunity to lead in a high level organization.
- ***CONTINUING EDUCATION.*** The AGD is above and beyond, one of the greatest resources to obtain CE credit. Students who attended learned about topics like full mouth rehab, treatment planning, veneers, review on pharmacology, and post-grad options such as opening a practice. CE credit or not, the educational aspect was so valuable. This meeting alone allowed me to obtain over 15 hours of credit in one weekend! This is especially helpful to those students who are pursuing Fellowships with AGD (FAGD). Students are able to receive 50 hours of credit during their schooling so start now and attend courses and accrue your hours. This meeting is one of the best ways to get a large amount of hours towards your Fellowship. Please visit [agd.org](http://agd.org) to learn more about these opportunities.
- ***EXHIBIT FAIR.*** The AGD Annual Session has an immense Exhibit Fair from vendors showing off the latest in dental technology and offering many discounts to attendees. This is a great way to learn about the available variety of products and features out there for us as graduates. At school we are exposed to a limited number and scope of products and technologies. Opening our eyes to trying new things may offer an advantage to us as we start our careers, or even take boards. Did you know there are a variety of tools and kits available to aid with our licensing exams? This includes little tricks, tools, and products to help us with our class II restorations and much more. Attend a dental conference and visit the exhibit fair, you will see a whole new world of “wow” for your school clinic experience.
- ***MEET REGIONAL & NATIONAL LEADERS WHO ARE DECISION MAKERS FOR AGD.*** As an Arizona AGD Chapter Student Board Member, it has been a remarkable experience to meet the leaders we only see in our AGD magazines and publications. These leaders also, want to meet US and get our perspectives. It was great to attend the House of Delegates and see how major decisions impacting the organization are made.
- ***LEARN ABOUT THE FUTURE OF GENERAL DENTISTRY & ABOUT THE RESOLUTION PROCESS.*** Being a student, recognized by an entire House of Delegates (hundreds of leaders and practicing dentists), was an eye opening experience. There was a resolution that passed to include students on the AGD board and for us to have a voice. We are the future of the organization and it is important that we get involved early in order to further the organization and advocate for the profession. Advocacy at the level of the AGD is quite remarkable. For example, the AGD has advocated against Mid-Level providers in numerous states, increasing medical supply tax, and so much more in order to protect the profession of dentistry, especially general dentistry. One thing that stood out to me was that a representative mentioned that if Mid-level providers are approved in a state, the general dentist might suffer the most. Knowing that the AGD is there and constantly working to advocate for us when we don't even know an issue is coming down the pipeline is worth being a member alone.

**HOPE TO SEE YOU IN DETROIT FOR AGD ANNUAL MEETING 2014! □**

# MEET OUR NEW ARIZONA AGD STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

## *MWU AGD President 2013-2014*

### *Anthony Royal*



Greetings, fellow AGD members. My name is Anthony Royal. I am a 3rd year student at Midwestern University in Glendale and the 2013-2014 President of the MWU AGD club. I have been involved with the AGD since my 1st

year when I had an opportunity to sit next to a general dentist on a flight from Chicago to Phoenix. He told me about the Fellowship award and how the AGD represents the interests of the general dentist. I joined three days later. I have come to dentistry as a second career. After spending the last 24 years working for the US Postal Service as a mechanic, I feel very lucky to have this opportunity and look forward to a future working with the underserved as an NHSC Scholar.

## *MWU AGD Vice President 2013-2014*

### *Emily Kuns*



My name is Emily Kuns and I am a 4th year dental student and the AGD Vice President for the Midwestern College of Dental Medicine. I was born in a small, rural village in the outskirts of Sandusky, Ohio where I was raised among 3 brothers and a golden retriever. I am ecstatic to be elected as part of the AGD to allow me to take part in providing Continu-

ing Education credit lectures that my classmates and I are so fortunate to be able to begin prior to graduation. I am absolutely loving my career choice so far, and am looking forward to collaborating with the AGD for years to come to enhance my lifetime of learning.

## REPRESENTATIVES

## *ASDOH AGD*

## *Board of Directors 2013-2014*

### *Yu Ong*

My name is Yu Ong. I was born and raised in the London, England. I am currently a third year dental student at ASDOH. In my spare time, I like to travel and play sports. I am glad to be involved with AZ AGD as a student representative because it allows me to get involved at a deeper level as well as being the voice of ASDOH.



## *ASDOH AGD*

## *Board of Directors 2013-2014*

### *Sarah Coutts*

Hello everyone! I'm Sara Coutts; I'm currently a third year dental student at ASDOH. I'm the younger of two children in a family of teachers and upon graduation I will be the first dentist in my whole family. When I'm not busy at school I'm at home playing with my dog Dash. Originally from California I'm enjoying the Arizona heat but on long breaks you'll find me at a San Diego beach.



# *Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health*

## *AGD Student Report*

*By: Larisa Smith, ASDOH DMD '13*

ASDOH is excited to be expanding its student chapter of the AGD and has tripled its student membership over the last year. ASDOH's AGD student reps have been garnering support with recruiting efforts focusing on informing our future dentists of AGD's mission to serve the needs and interests of general dentists, foster the proficiency and excellence of oral health providers and promote the oral health of our communities. ASDOH is ramping up for several AGD activities in the Fall, including career development activities and lunch-n-learns geared around both clinical development and current issues facing the field of general dentistry. ASDOH students are looking forward to working more closely with the AGD professional chapter in the coming year and joining forces to promote the development and interests of general dentists, beginning at the first year of dental school. □



# *Midwestern University College of Dentistry*

## *AGD Student Report*

*By: Tony Royal, MWU DMD '13*

It has been a busy year for our little AGD chapter at Midwestern University. Since December of 2012, we have hosted or cohosted 13 Lunch-and-Learns, CE lectures, and dinners. One highlight of the year was a visit to our campus in March by Dr. Gordon Christensen. During the event he spoke about the current state of dentistry, ex-

pounding upon a variety of subjects. Another highlight was a Lunch-and-Learn by our own Dr. Tom Risbrudt, who talked about the need to develop a personal philosophy of practice. His heartfelt message was well received by all.

It has also been a year of growth for us. Our membership has grown by over 100 new members, many attracted by the opportunity to earn CE credits toward their Fellowship while still in dental school. At the same time we have made use of social media as a way to reach and inform our members. Our Facebook group page now has 287 members and also serves as a place to store lecture content for our member's future use.

At this time, we are expanding our presence on campus by continuing to offer quality CE opportunities to our classmates. Our most recent Lunch-and-Learn, given by Dr. Daniel Boden, focused on General Practice Residencies and how to prepare for applying to them. We are also collaborating on projects with other campus organizations, like the American Student Dental Association and the LDS Academy of Dentists, to foster cooperation in organized dentistry. □

# EMERGING ISSUES IN THE DENTAL PROFESSION

## AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE ACT

In April 2013, the Health Policy Resources Center at the American Dental Association released “The Affordable Healthcare Act (ACA) Expands Dental Benefits for Children But Does Not Address Critical Access to Dental Care Issues”, which is a research brief written by Drs. Kamyar Nasseh, Marko Vujicic, and Amanda O’Dell.

This research brief presents the estimated impact of the ACA on the number of adults and children with dental benefits in 2018 as well as the additional dental visits and spending the ACA is expected to generate. With the ACA, approximately 8.7 million children are expected to gain some form of dental benefits by 2018 as a result of the ACA, an increase of 15% relative to 2010. This will reduce the number of children without dental benefits by about 55%. Although 17.7 million adults are expected to gain some level of dental benefits as a result of the ACA, almost all of this increase is in Medicaid which varies significantly state to state on adult dental benefits policy. As a result, only 4.5 million of adults are expected to gain ‘extensive’ dental benefits through Medicaid. An additional 800,000 will gain private dental benefits through health insurance exchanges. Combined, this will reduce the number of adults without dental benefits by about 5%. There is likely to be significant pressure on Medicaid providers within the dental care delivery system. The ACA is expected to generate an additional 10.4 million dental visits per year through Medicaid by 2018.

One challenge with the ACA is that the increase in benefits does not necessarily equate to increased dental care utilization. This is because many current issues such as low provider reimbursements levels and administrative inefficiencies will continue to be issues. Additionally, the increase in benefits will increase the inflow of adults, which will put more pressure on an already pressured dental care delivery system.

To access the complete brief: [http://www.ada.org/sections/professionalResources/pdfs/HPRCBrief\\_0413\\_3.pdf](http://www.ada.org/sections/professionalResources/pdfs/HPRCBrief_0413_3.pdf)



## ADA ASKS SENATE TO MOVE ON STUDENT DEBT INTEREST

(from: <http://www.ada.org>)

On July 1, the fixed interest rate on subsidized Stafford loans for undergraduates was set to double, from 3.4 percent to 6.8 percent. Most dental students already face heavy debt associated with the next four years; they certainly don’t need the added burden of increased interest on their existing undergraduate loans. In a letter to the Senate, ADA President Dr. Robert Faiella and Executive Director Dr. Kathleen O’Loughlin asked senators to keep Stafford loans “at or as close to 3.4 percent as possible and work on a long term solution to bring the graduate loan rates down.” “Educational debt

plays a major role in postgraduate career planning,” they wrote. “It can influence whether a recent graduate will choose to enter private practice, focus on underserved communities or pursue a career in public service, teaching, research and/or public health.” The ADA is also lobbying to keep rates down on graduate school loans. The Association stresses the role heavy student debt plays in keeping new dentists from setting up practice in underserved communities or pursuing careers in public health. In 2011, the average educational debt per graduating dental school senior was \$180,557.



## HEALTH CARE REFORM





## DENTAL INSURANCE FAIRNESS ACT (H.R. 1798)

(from: <http://www.ada.org>)

On May 2, 2013 - Rep. Paul Gosar (R-Ariz.), one of two dentist members of Congress, has taken the lead in addressing insurance practices that hurt dental offices and patients by requiring plans to allow both coordination of benefits and assignment of benefits. This new bill, the Dental Insurance Fairness Act (H.R. 1798), would require dental plans to allow policy holders to use both their primary and secondary policies to pay for the cost of care. In some states

without coordination-of-benefit laws, plan rules that prohibit this kind of coordination leave the beneficiaries on the hook for a portion of the care provided, notwithstanding the fact that they're paying for two policies.

The assignment-of-benefits provision would allow patients to direct dental plan payments directly to their treating dentists, even non-participating providers. Permitting this would mean that patients would not have to pay out-of-pocket for covered services and then wait to be reimbursed by their dental plans. So far the bill has five cosponsors.



## NEW CHANGES AROUND THE COUNTRY

(from: <http://www.ada.org>)

The **California Dental Hygiene Committee of the Dental Board of California** is proposing rules to approve courses for expanded function dental hygienists. The new rules, proposed on July 5, 2013, set regulations for courses that provide instruction in administration of local anesthetic agents, limited to the oral cavity; administration of nitrous oxide and oxygen when used as an analgesic; and periodontal soft tissue curettage. A hearing for the proposed rules is scheduled for Aug. 21, 2013.

The **Georgia Board of Dentistry** is now under the Department of Community Health, thanks to the passage of House Bill 132. The bill, which was signed by Gov. Nathan Deal on April 25, 2013, and became law on July 1, 2013, moves both the Board of Dentistry and the Board of Pharmacy from the Secretary of State's Office to the Department of Community Health.

The **New Mexico Board of Dental Health Care** has adopted new rules regarding licensee's practice management and continuing education. The new rules, adopted on June 28, 2013, change the length of time dentists must consider a patient of record from 18 months to 12 months. The new rules also now allow volunteer activities as part of dental and dental hygienists continuing education. Volunteer service is limited to board or dental hygiene committee approved charitable events that include a post-event survey. Charitable event credits are limited to eight hours per triennial period.

On July 9, 2013, the **Massachusetts Joint Committee on Public Health** held a hearing on House Bill 2000. This bill, introduced on Jan. 17, 2013, provides for an investigation and study by a special commission on the safety of dental amalgam. No outcome of the hearing is available yet.

**Oregon** has two new laws affecting dentistry and oral health. Senate Bill 2, which was signed by Gov. John Kitzhaber on June 26, 2013, establishes the "Scholars for a Healthy Oregon Initiative" to provide free tuition and fees for students in health care disciplines, in exchange for student commitment to work in underserved locations after graduation. Senate Bill 436, which was signed by the governor on July 1, 2013, requires coordinated care organizations to include a community health improvement plan strategy for the use of school-based health centers.

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GOT SOMETHING YOU WANNA HEAR ABOUT?

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# CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW MAGD/FAGD RECIPIENTS

The Academy of General Dentistry awards two prestigious awards to general dentists who have established themselves as experts within the field of general dentists. The first award a general dentist can attain is the FAGD ("Fellow" in the AGD). Fellows have completed 500+ hours of CE, passed a comprehensive exam, and been an AGD member for 3+ years. The second award a general dentist can attain is the MAGD ("Master" in the AGD). Masters have previously attained FAGD but also have completed an additional 600+ hours of CE, as well as a set of additional requirements set forth by the Academy of General Dentistry. THIS YEAR, THE AZ AGD IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE SIX ARIZONA DOCTORS WHO WERE RECOGNIZED AT THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE FAGD AND MAGD AWARDS. CONGRATULATIONS!

**FELLOW OF THE AGD**  
 Edward Byers, DDS (Sedona)  
 Matthew Milana, DDS (Phoenix)  
 Chris Winterholler, DDS (Scottsdale)

**MASTER OF THE AGD**  
 Don Goldsmith, DDS, FAGD (Surprise)  
 Paul Nielson, DDS, FAGD (Scottsdale)

## AGD Award of Excellence 2013 Senior Dental Student Recipients



**James W. Duncan** was born in Needles, CA, but raised in AZ after he was adopted at one day of age. His love of dentistry was discovered after enrolling in Pima Community College's dental assisting program in 2001. After three years of full-

time assisting, James was accepted into Northern Arizona University's (NAU) dental hygiene program, graduating in 2008 with a BSDH. The priceless exposure to dental public health provided by NAU's program led to James' top choice of the Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health where he graduated in the top 10 and was inducted into Omicron Kappa Upsilon. James recently started his career as a general dentist at Mariposa Community Health Center in Nogales, AZ, where he looks forward to improving care to the underserved community.

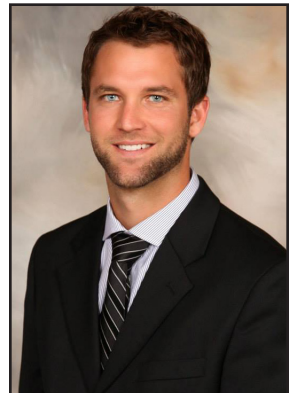


**Katherine Timlin** is currently working towards her AGD Fellowship Award with over 100 hours of eligible CE completed and over 100 more planned before the end of the year. She is currently living in San Antonio, TX with her husband and her dog. She works at Lemon Tree Canyon Golf. In her spare time, she is training for long distance running and triathlon events. She misses working with the AZ AGD but looks forward to mentoring dental students and appreciate all the support the AGD has provided her throughout her dental career.



**Jaime Norton** is originally from South Dakota and completed her undergraduate work at the University of Wyoming before completing dental school at ASDOH. She loves dentistry and the challenges it presents. She looks forward to keeping up with the fast-paced, challenging, patient-centered profession. After graduation, Jaime started practicing in Queen Creek, AZ, and she looks forward to providing quality care to her patients on a daily basis.

Following dental school, **Matthew Serbousek** returned to Grand Island, Nebraska to become a partner at Island View Dental. After completing over 450 hrs of continuing education, Matt has taken the Associate Fellowship written exam in the American Academy of Implant Dentistry and is working on presenting cases for Fellowship. He will also be serving on the board of the Nebraska Academy of General Dentistry starting in June 2014.



# A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW ARIZONA AGD MEMBERS



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*These members joined  
between Jan-July 2013*

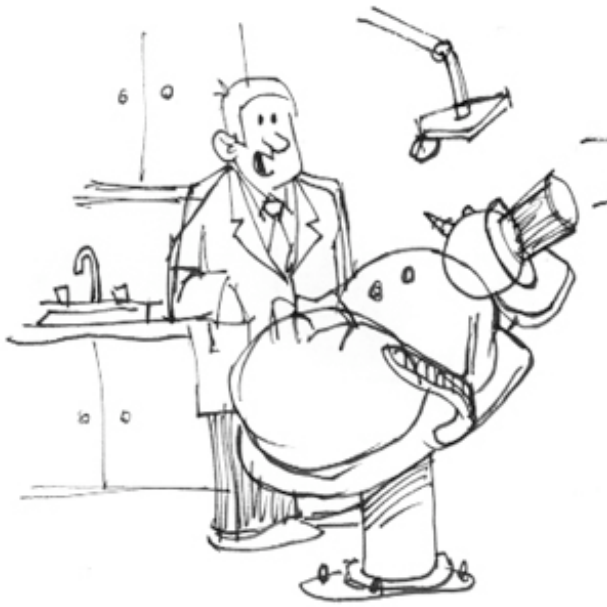
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# BEWARE: YOU ARE NOW ENTERING THE FUN ZONE



DO YOU HAVE ANY COLD SENSATIONS WHEN YOU EAT?

## The Pastor's New Teeth

A preacher goes to the dentist for a set of dentures. The first Sunday after he gets his new teeth, he could only talk in the pulpit for five minutes.

The second Sunday, his sermon lasted for ten minutes. The following Sunday, he talked for an hour and 30 minutes. The congregation had to mob him to get him down from the pulpit and they asked him what happened.

The Pastor explains the first Sunday his gums hurt so bad he couldn't talk for more than five minutes. The second Sunday his gums hurt too much to talk for more than 10 minutes. But, the third Sunday, he put in his wife's teeth by mistake and he couldn't shut up.

## THE WHOLE TOOTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TOOTH

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Enamel  
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Crown  
Root  
Pulp  
Tubules  
Central Groove  
Cusp  
Incisor  
Canine  
Premolar  
Molar

## EVERY CHILD DESERVES A HEALTH SMILE



The Partnership of HEALTHY MOUTHS, HEALTHY LIVES is committed to improve children's oral health so that they can develop into healthy, productive adults. The Coalition shares the view that no child should be in pain and suffer broader health issues or endure the social stigma and lack of opportunity resulting from untreated dental diseases and conditions. The Coalition's primary mission is to teach parents and caregivers, as well as the children themselves, to take control of their own health through oral disease prevention.

Refer your parent patients to: [www.healthymouthshealthyives.org](http://www.healthymouthshealthyives.org)



The Arizona Mission of Mercy (AzMOM) is a large scale dental clinic where dental treatment is provided at no cost to individuals who cannot access and/or afford dental care. This event is completely volunteer driven and strives to help on a first-come first-serve basis.

The first AzMOM event took place in December 2012 with 1,561 unpaid volunteers. This event provided 1,659 patients with \$1,280,000 worth of dental care and treatment.

Help out AzMom 2013!  
More info: [www.azmom.org](http://www.azmom.org)



## THE 5TH ANNUAL ARIZONA ORAL CANCER WALK COMING IN SPRING 2014!



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For more information:

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Check out: [www.azoralcancerwalk.org](http://www.azoralcancerwalk.org)

Greetings Readers!

My name is Mai-Ly (My-Lee), and I am the newly appointed newsletter editor! I'm a HUGE WILDCAT - BEAR DOWN ARIZONA. And I have two furry kids - chihuahuas named Lilly and Hank. I send my warm wishes to the Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health, where I graduated from in 2012 with my DMD and MPH. I recently completed an AEGD program with the Lutheran Medical Center in June. I am very excited and grateful to be a member of the Academy of General Dentistry because it is an organization that strives to provide dentists with opportunities to continue to improve and better serve patients. I have had a lot of fun creating this newsletter. My hope is that you have enjoyed reading the content in this newsletter, but more importantly, I hope you have been challenged to ask more questions, to share your opinions, and to contribute to future newsletters. I am always looking for ways to improve, hot topics to discuss, new information to bring to you, and lots of fun. So do you have an idea? Do you want to learn about something? Do you want write for the newsletter? Do you have a CE topic you'd like us to provide? GO FOR IT! I'm all ears!

Please email me at [mailyduongdmd@gmail.com](mailto:mailyduongdmd@gmail.com) and share your thoughts! Thank you for reading & happy summer! Watch for our Fall newsletter in October!

Sincerely,  
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